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Chinese Central Govt's New Strategy

Bihar Chief Secretary Expresses Regret

PREMIER SINHA'S STATEMENT IN ASSEMBLY

Secretaries Not To Issue Letters To Dt. Officers Explaining Govt. Orders

PATNA, December 23.

In the Bihar Legislative Assembly to-day the Prime Minister made a statement in connection with a circular purporting to have been issued recently by Mr. W. B. Brett, Chief Secretary, containing instructions to District Officers regarding the procedure to be followed by them when orders from Ministers or purporting to be from Ministers were received by them.

The Circular was stated to have advised the officers that an order from a Minister could be authentic only when duly signed by one of the permanent secretaries.

Some time ago an adjournment motion was sought to be moved in the Assembly on the ground that the matter raised an important constitutional issue. The Prime Minister then assured the Assembly that the matter was being enquired into and a statement would be made later.

BRETT'S REGRET.

The Prime Minister in his statement to-day said that Mr. Brett had since explained that the Circular had been issued by him in his private capacity, and deeply regretted that it should have caused embarrassment to the Ministry. The Council of Ministers had accepted Mr. Brett's explanation and were taking steps to circularise orders to District Officers stating that the note sent out by Mr. Brett merely represented his private advice. It was not an order of the Provincial Government, and it had since been withdrawn.

The Ministry had further passed orders that no Secretary should issue a letter attempting to explain or interpret Government orders, without reference to the Government.

The Government trusted that the action taken by them would prevent the misunderstanding caused by the private letter.—A.P.

BIHAR LEGISLATURE PROROGUED

PATNA, Dec. 23.

The Session of the Bihar Legislature was brought to an end to-day, both the Assembly and the Council being prorogued. The Assembly passed the amendments made to the Tenancy Bill by the Council last night.

A Joint Committee of 24 members was formed from both the houses to consider the report on the Money-Lenders Bill and the Agricultural Income-Tax Bill.—A.P.

Sir C. V. Raman, with speaker Sabamurti (left) opened the All-India Khadi and Swadeshi Exhibition at Madras.

Tri-colour Triumphs

(From Our Correspondent).
HUBLI, Dec. 23.

After the stormy proceedings at the adjourned Special General meeting on the 21st, the President of the Hubli Municipal borough seems to have revised his opinion regarding the hoisting of tri-colour. He has now issued a notice convening a fresh special general meeting on the 30th wherein his note regarding hoisting a tri-colour will be considered. ...

The President's note reads... as follows:—

In view of the strong public opinion for hoisting the Congress flag on the Municipal building in view of Congress Ministers at the helm of affairs in the Presidency the undersigned is of the opinion that there is no objection to hoist the Congress flag on the Municipal building.

The note is signed by President, Savanur, dated Dec. 21.

Prolonged Resistance To Be More Effective

BAN ON PRODUCTION OF LUXURIES

Military Affairs Commission To Control Public & Private Enterprises

SHANGHAI, December 22.

The Chinese Central Government has issued a decree placing all the nation's public and private productive enterprises under a National Military Affairs Commission with the object of making the Government's policy of prolonged resistance more effective.

Every branch of industry, agriculture and mining will be affected by the step. The production of luxuries may be prohibited or limited.

Strikes and picketing have been banned.

Severe penalties including death have been prescribed for sabotage, espionage, and supplying goods to the enemy.—Reuter.

Britain's Faith In Italy's Good Sense!

Adjournment Motion Lopped In Commons

LONDON, Dec. 23.

Strong criticism of the Italian Anti-British propaganda was expressed by Lieut Commander Fletcher on the motion for the Adjournment of the Commons for Christmas recess. He accused Sgr. Mussolini of being the "Poison Pen of Europe" and the whole world international relations. Italy started the completely mendacious story about Portuguese colonies, when Anglo-Portuguese relations had recently improved. Since Sgr. Mussolini's personal message to Mr. Chamberlain last July, the Bari Broadcast had increased in violence. Bari persistently stoked up agitation in Palestine and fomented discontent there. Italian agents practically give away radios to Arab Cafes, which pick up broadcasts. Talks in Arabic are now given daily.

Lord Cranborne in the course of his reply said, Mr. Eden sent for Count Grandi a few days ago and had told him that unless propaganda against Britain could be terminated, it would be impossible to create an atmosphere for the prosecution of successful conversations aimed at improving mutual relations. We hope and believe in the good sense of Italians to see that our representations which were effective on the previous occasions will be effective again. Otherwise, it is clear that sooner or later, we must take further measures."

He assured the House that Government would not hesitate to take whatever measures it was thought necessary or appropriate for the purpose. The matter was then dropped.

The House adjourned till February 1.

"A FIRST ASS SHOW"

Madras Governor Visits A.-I. Khadi And Swadeshi Exhibition

MADRAS, Dec. 23.

For the first time in the history of the All-India Khadi and Swadeshi Exhibition conducted by the Tamil Nadu Congress Committee the Governor visited the exhibition at the Congress House to-day. He inspected various stalls including the Khadi Museum, where the latest improvements effected in "Charkhas" were exhibited.

Before leaving the grounds His Excellency thanked the President of the Tamil Nadu Congress Committee and the other organisers of the exhibition for having shown him round remarking it was a first class show.—A.P.

GOVT. TROOPS ADVANCE

More Buildings Captured In Teruel Sector

MADRID, Dec. 23.

The Government troops continued to advance in Teruel itself and captured further buildings in the centre of the city according to an official bulletin.

The civil population who is said to have been without water for four days evacuated to nearby villages.

Over 4000 wounded including civilians and insurgents are now receiving the attention of Government services.—Reuter.

Teruel Still Resisting Govt. Attack?

SALAMANCA, Dec. 23.

Relief troops are about to engage Government troops in Teruel, according to a national radio broadcast which still maintains that the city garrison is resisting the Government attack.—Reuter.

15 Killed In Bombing

BARCELONA, Dec. 23.

Fifteen persons were killed and wounded by bombs dropped by enemy 'planes on Sagunto 18 miles north of Valencia this morning.—

CALCUTTA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S NON-CO-OPERATION

Public Meeting's Disapproval To Meet Employees' Demands

CALCUTTA, Dec. 23.

A largely attended meeting of Calcutta citizens held this evening at Albert Hall, Mr. T. C. Goswami, Deputy Leader of the Bengal Assembly Congress Party presiding, adopted resolutions disapproving the attitude of non-co-operation displayed by the Agent of the Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation towards the Negotiations Committee appointed by them to explore avenues for an honourable settlement between the Management and the employees of the Electric Supply Corporation and urging the workers to put off the declaration of a general strike pending further attempt to avoid an all round dislocation to be made by the Negotiations Committee in consultation with the Labour Commissioner of the Bengal Government.—United Press.

VI[illegible]AND STEEL WORKERS' STRIKE

00 Men Out Of Employment At Jamshedpur

JAMSHEDPUR, Dec. 23.

Mr. Parulekar, M.L.A., Assistant Secretary, and Messrs. Phadke, Sathe, Karkare, Selvapathy Chettiar, Krishnamurti and Venkatrao, delegates to the Calcutta session of the National Trades Union Federation broke their journey at Jamshedpur on the way back and discussed labour questions with Messrs. W. V. R. Naidu and Manek Lal, local labour leaders.

Mr. Parulekar also interviewed the management of the Indian Iron and Steel Product Co., 700 of whose workmen are onstrike since August 2 and urged the management to settle the strike as early as possible. After some discussion and exchange of views Mr. Parulekar informed the management that further negotiations may be resumed with Mr. W. V. R. Naidu.

The deadlock still continues.—United Press.

BATTLE FOR HANGCHOW

SHANGHAI, Dec. 23.

The battle for Hangchow is developing in intensity.

Japanese columns are advancing to the city from north-west, north and north-east despite spirited Chinese resistance. Japanese authorities, in view of the danger of severe and extensive fighting, have advised foreign consuls to evacuate their nationals numbering altogether 31 from Hangchow as well as from Shaoshing, nationally famous winemaking centre 35 miles south-east of Hangchow. The Chinese have laid charges of dynamite under the railway bridge over Chiantang river across which runs the Hangchow-Shanghai Railway ready to blow up the bridge if necessary.—Reuter

BR. GOVT.'S NOTE TO JAPAN

Violation Of Hongkong's Territorial Waters

TOKIO, Dec. 23.

The British embassy handed to the Japanese Foreign Office the British Government's note concerning the violation of Hongkong's territorial waters.—Reuter.

British Ministers Not Perturbed By Hongkong Situation

LONDON, Dec. 22.

The Cabinet sat to-day for four and a half hours and reviewed the whole situation in the Far East

It is understood that the Cabinet took the view that there is no necessity for a substantial naval reinforcement there and it is believed that any question involving the despatch of battleships and large cruisers would only arise as part of concerted operation to meet some special emergency

The Ministers do not appear perturbed at the immediate prospects of Hongkong.

While it has been necessary to send a note to Japan with regard to the incident in Hongkong territorial waters there appears to be no evidence at present that Japan intends any deliberate infringement of that territory.—Reuter

PARIS-SAIGON AIR RECORD BEATEN

SAIGON, Dec. 23.

Mlle Maryse Hilse arrived at 06.45 G.M.T. breaking Japy's Paris Saigon record by 10 hours and 37 minutes.—Reuter.

CHANG-FAH-KWEI' FORCED BACK

SHANGHAI, Dec. 22.

The Japanese claim to have checked Chang-Fah-Kwei's counter-offensive and driven back the Chinese though they admit that they experienced much difficulty.

Gen. Chang Fah-kwei, Commander of the celebrated "Chinese Ironsides" and one of the most brilliant, formerly rebel Chinese war-lords, launched a powerful counter-offensive against the Japanese forces, advancing, on Hangchow, 100 miles south-west of Shanghai. His 1,00,000 troops were engaged in severe fighting.

The Japanese say their right flank has captured the popular mountain resort of Mokanshan, 30 miles from Hangchow while their left is 18 miles from Hangchow.

They predict the capture of Hangchow before the end of the month and also claim that they are advancing towards the north from Nanking and besieging Chanpuling, 33 miles from Pukow.—Reuter.

Four Arabs Sentenced To Death

JERUSALEM, Dec. 23.

Four Arabs were sentenced to death by the Jaffa Assizes for the murder of another Arab during a highway robbery near Ramleh on July 26 last.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

MUSSOLINI & ISLAM.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

Col. Fletcher in the Commons cited the example of the reported interview with the Aga Khan in which he was quoted as saying if Il Duce's promises regarding Islam should be realised, Arabs of the world would place all hopes in the Italian Government. When asked about the interview the Aga Khan replied he had instead stated "We in India are happy and prosperous under our King-Emperor."

Col. Fletcher asked "Could anything be more wicked and more malevolent than such distortion of the Aga Khan's words remembering the part he plays in the affairs of the Moslem world?"—Reuter.

NO EVASION OF TAXES

Bombay Bill Based On Law Enacted By Central Government

BOMBAY, Dec. 23.

The Government of Bombay have gazetted a bill whose object it is to prevent the evasion of new taxation proposals by persons between the time these proposals are published and the actual act is passed.

The Bill empowers the Government to give immediate effect to any declared provision of any Bill. Such a provision shall have the force of law as soon as the bill is introduced in the Legislature or published.

This Bill is based on similar law enacted by the Central Government.—A.P.

EGYPTIAN CABINET AND PALACE

CAIRO, Dec. 23.

It is understood the Cabinet is adopting an attitude of compromise towards the Palace.

It is believed a solution of the present crisis will shortly be found.—Reuter.

CZECH-GERMAN 'ENTENTE'

Both Governments Desire Stopping Of Newspaper Attacks

LONDON, Dec. 23.

Preliminary talks are progressing for an agreement between Germany and Czechoslovakia.

It is understood the Czechoslovakian Government desires a newspapers' truce which would end the attacks against Czechoslovakia in the German Press. The German Government desires the suppression of certain German 'emigre' newspapers published in Czechoslovakia and the curtailment of activities of German 'emigre' newspapermen.

An 'entente' between the two countries in question, declares the Nazi newspaper "Danzigervorposten," can only be reached on the question of Germans living in Czechoslovakia.—Reuter.

MEXICO CITY ROCKED

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23.

An earthquake shock, the heaviest ever experienced here, rocked the city to-day for five minutes.

A large surrounding area including a number of towns was also sharply shaken.

Casualties and damage are feared but hitherto they have not been ascertained.—Reuter.

New Zealand American Commercial Air Service

SANFRANCISCO, Dec. 23.

The pan-American Airways announced that the Commercial Air Service between America and New Zealand across the Pacific will be inaugurated on January 29.—Reuter.

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Public Notices

NOTICE.

Names of the below-mentioned Members of the Butter Manufacturers' Association, have been struck off the List of the Association, under Provision of Article No. 13 of Butter Manufacturers' Association, as they have been convicted and fined in a Court of Law, for selling adulterated butter. Lloyds Dairy, Necol Dairy, Iran Dairy.

By Order,
B. D. MISTRY,
Secretary,
Butter Manufacturers' Association.
9554.

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that our client MR. SURAJMAL GENDALAL JAIN has retired from the partnership firm of Messrs. The Industrial Textile Stores Co., carrying on business as Suppliers of Textile Machinery and Stores at Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, as from the 11th day of December, 1937.

Dated this 23rd day of December, 1937.

BHAISHANKER, KANGA AND GIRDHARLAL.
Attorneys for Mr. Surajmal Gendalal Jain.
7563.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION

GEORGE VI by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration of the property and credits of THAKER SHAMJI KALIDAS, of Jodia Bunder Lohana Hindu Inhabitant, carrying on business as Cotton Waste Broker, residing at 61, Joshiwalla Building, Dana Bunder Road, outside the Fort of Bombay. .... Deceased.

BAI MOTIBAI, widow of Thaker Shamji Kalidas, of Bombay Lohana Hindu Inhabitant, residing at 61, Joshiwalla Building, Dana Bunder Road, outside the Fort of Bombay. ..... Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit before the Grant of Letters of Administration,

Witness Sir JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid this 23rd day of December in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and thirty seven and in the Second year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

(Sd.) R. B. PATEL,
Prothonotary,
And Senior Master.

(Sd.) TAHIR ALI,

The 23rd day of December, 1937.
Messrs MAHIMTURA & CO.,
Petitioner's Attorneys.
(7567)

Public Notices.

THE SIALKOT-NAROWAL RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of THE SIALKOT-NAROWAL RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held on MONDAY, the 10th day of January, 1938, at 4-30 p.m. at the Registered Office of the Company, Home Street, Fort, Bombay, to transact the following business:—

1st.—To adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts made up to 30th September, 1937.
2nd.—To declare a Dividend.
3rd.—To elect Directors in the place of Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas, Kt., C.I.E., M.B.E., and Mr. Ambalal Sarabhai who retire by rotation, but are eligible and offer themselves for re-election.
4th.—To appoint Auditors for the current year and fix their remuneration.
5th.—To sanction the payment of a Bonus to the Company's Office Clerks.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 27th December, 1937, to MONDAY, the 10th January, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
KILLICK, NIXON & CO.,
Agents.
Bombay, 16th December, 1937.
7561.

THE MANDRA-BHON RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of THE MANDRA-BHON RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held on MONDAY, the 10th day of January, 1938, at 4-15 p.m., at the Registered Office of the Company, Home Street, Fort, Bombay, to transact the following business:—

1st.—To adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts made up to 30th September, 1937.
2nd.—To declare a Dividend.
3rd.—To elect Directors in the place of Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas, Kt., C.I.E., M.B.E., and Mr. Ambalal Sarabhai who retire by rotation, but are eligible and offer themselves for re-election.
4th.—To elect Sir Chunilal V. Mehta, K.C.S.I., who retires under Article 102, as a Director.
5th.—To appoint Auditors for the current year and fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 27th December, 1937, to MONDAY, the 10th January, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
KILLICK, NIXON & CO.,
Agents.
Bombay, 16th December, 1937.
7560.

NOTICE

WANTED SEALED TENDERS FOR A WELL VENTILATED BUILDING WITH A FLOOR AREA OF ABOUT 1,200 SQUARE FEET, BETWEEN BOMBAY CENTRAL STATION AND CHARNI ROAD FOR USE AS REST HOUSE FOR THE SORTERS OF "W" DIVISION FROM 1-3-38.

The tenders which should accompanied with a sum of Rs. 125 one hundred twenty five as earnest money should reach this Office on 20-1-38 at latest. The necessary forms of tender and other information may be had on application to the undersigned on payment of Rs. annas for each set of forms. The tenders will be opened on the undersigned at 15-00 hours on 20-1-38 in the presence of tenderers who desire to be present at the time. The undersigned is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender without assigning any reason for the same. Tenders should be addressed to the Superintendent, Dn., Baroda. "W".

(Sd.) J. R. MEHTA,
Superintendent of Police R.M.S.,
"W" Division, Vyajigan.
Baroda
(75)

IN THE COURT OF THE DISTRICT MUNSIFF, BEZWADA.

O. S. 366|1936. E. P. 63 of 1937.

The decreeholder CHINGA having died, his wife Heera and his son filed execution petition against Mangibai Shaherbai Gorima and others. Court ordered notice under Sec. 146, Order 21 Rule 22 of C.P.C. to the above defendants to 25-1-1938. Objections my be filed on that day. Otherwise the Execution Petition will be proceeded 'ex parte'.

C. RAJAGOPALACHARI,
Advocate,
for decreeholders.
Bezwada, 14-12-1937.

Public Notices

THE BOMBAY ELECTRIC SUPPLY AND TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LTD.

LOST ALLOTMENT LETTER.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Allotment Letter No. 1642 in respect of Nine Preference Shares Nos: 17329/37 of the Bombay Electric Supply and Tramways Co. Ltd. standing in the name of Bai Bachoobai Shapurji Katpitia (deceased) has been LOST, MISPLACED or DESTROYED. Any claim in respect of these shares should be notified to the Company at their Registered Office Electric House Post Fort, Bombay No. 1, within 15 days from the date hereof, otherwise a Duplicate Allotment Letter will be issued irrespective of any claim in respect thereof.

Dated this 23rd day of December, 1937.

7562.

Legal Notices

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY.
INSOLVENCY No. 611 of 1937.

Re: (1) Messrs NAZARALI RATANSI & CO., (2) Messrs JAFFARALI & CO., (3) NAZARALI RATANSI, (4) SHAKU RATANSI, carrying on business as Grocs at 843, Haines Road, Byculla and at 10 (5A) Lac Jamsedji Road, Dadar... Debtors.

Ex parte: Messrs EGRAJ BULCHAND, a firm Petitioning Creditors.

On the 23rd day of December, 1937, an order was made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtors Insolvents.

Dated this 23rd day of December, 1937

S. J. RAHIMTOOLA,
Insolvency Registrar.
(7565)

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY.
INSOLVENCY NO. 601 OF 1937.

Re: PERSHAR EDALJI DASTUR Bombay, Parsi Inhabitant, a Retired School Master, till lately, residing Kashinath Building, D Talao. .... A Debtor.

Ex parte JHAVERCHAND P. BHANJI. .... Petitioning Creditor.

On 21st day of December, 1937, order was made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtor an Insolvent.

Dated this 22nd day of December, 1937.

S. J. RAHIMTOOLA,
Insolvency Registrar.
(7564)

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY.
INSOLVENCY NO. 600 OF 1937.

Re. KAIKHUSHRU FRAMJI PATEL of Bombay, Parsi Inhabitant, who carried on business in the name and style of Messrs. Pirojsha R. Vakharia & Co. & Vakharia & Co. ..... Deceased Debtor.

MESSRS. GULABCHAND BHAVANJI, a firm ... Petitioning Creditors.

On the 21st day of December, 1937, the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction made an Order that the estate of the abovenamed Kaikhushru Framji Patel be administered in Insolvency.

Dated this 22nd day of December, 1937.

S. J. RAHIMTOOLA,
Insolvency Registrar.
7566

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PREPARATIONS FOR TRADE UNION CONGRESS SESSION

(From A Correspondent)
DELHI, (By Mail).

Preparatory work for the coming session of the All India Trade Union Congress is progressing rapidly. The open session will be held at Gandhi Grounds, adjacent to the Railway Station, Delhi, on the 30th and 31st December, 1937. The A.I.T.U.C. Executives will meet on the 29th December, 1937.

A procession of the workers will parade the city on the same date. About 200 prominent leaders have been invited to participate in the conference and several of them have already conveyed their good wishes to the Secretary, Reception Committee.

HANDICAPS TO BR. GUIANA INDIANS

"Severe Clauses" In Marriage Laws

NEW DELHI, Dec. 21.

Information available indicates that compulsory education has been introduced in British Guiana. This will benefit the Indian settlers. A number of Education Officers will be appointed.

Indians in British Guiana suffer from great hardship owing to the fact that they have to produce a certificate signed by the Immigration Agent-General showing that there is no impediment to the intended marriage. Inquiries indicate that the Ordinance which requires the production of such certificate was promulgated to prevent bigamous marriages. This law is so severe that the Minister who performs the marriage without ascertaining that the formalities with regard to the certificate have been complied with, is liable to a penalty not exceeding forty dollars.

A new department known as the Department of Labour, Village affairs and Immigration will be created from the new year and budget estimates for British Guiana include expenditure for the creation and functioning of the department. This will not help the Indian labourers to a large extent since the department will be a branch of the Colonial Secretariat under the Commissioner of Labour, who will also be Assistant Colonial Secretary.

The problem that faces Indians in Guiana are the surrender of return passage rights in lieu of land, establishment of a farm for destitute Indians and appointment of Indians on Public Boards. These can only be dealt with by an accredited representative of the Government of India.—United Press.

NEW EDUCATION FELLOWSHIP

International Delegation Arrives At Calcutta

CALCUTTA, Dec. 22.

Dr. Laurin Zilliacus, Chairman of the New Education Fellowship in Finland, with a party of delegates to the third All-India New Education Fellowship Conference arrived here this morning. They were received at the Howrah Station by a large number of educationists including Mr. Bottomley, Director of Public Instruction, Bengal, Principal A. K. Chanda, Prof. K. P. Chattopadhyaya.

The Conference will meet at the Senate House on December 29 and 30, for discussing how the New Education Fellowship Movement may be advanced in India.

The New Education Fellowship it may be recalled is non-political and non-sectarian international movement seeking to unite those who believe that it only a new type of education that can effectively help people in meeting problems that face human society to-day.

Distinguished men like Dr. Rabindranath Tagore, Sir Michael Sadler, Sir Percy Nunn, Sir Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan are some of the eminent members of this movement.

This afternoon they will have conversation with the Vice-Chancellor and other Professors of the Calcutta University. Mr. Hankin proposes the organising of an interesting exhibition of instructive models sent by the Board of Education England. The purpose of this exhibition will be to illustrate modern tendencies in English education specially on lines of the New Education fellowship ideas.—United Press

HINDI SHORTHAND REPORTING

Success Of Poonamchand Jain's System

BEAWAR, Dec. 22.

Hindi short-hand reporting achieved unique success for the first time in a Provincial Assembly.

Reporters trained in Poonamchand Jain's Sankitlipi system were engaged by the Central Provinces Assembly. They returned to-day with numerous certificates from the Assembly members who highly appreciated the reporting.

Literary circles feel jubilant over this fulfilment of the long-felt need of Hindi language.—United Press.

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"ALL-INDIA PRESS FESTIVAL"

An Appeal To Indian Journalists

In the course of a circular letter to the working Journalist of India Shrimati Saguna Devi of Hyderabad-Deccan, joint compiler of the Indian Press Directory, writes:

The Indian Press needs to be reconstructed and extended. A new and healthy and vitalising outlook to life should be placed before its readers, not only in politics but also in religion, art and eugenics, etc., thus catering to the physical, emotional, intellectual and spiritual needs of the nation's life. And in order to do this quickly and successfully, each language should have facilities for cheap, quick and artistic production. Illustrated journalism should be within the means of all. Each language should have lino-type machines and other instruments for mass production.

VERNACULAR PRESS.

The vernacular press which wields considerable influence in the villages and towns also needs great attention and careful direction. Thirty million electorate will have to be educated and enlightened which only a well organised and well conducted vernacular press can do.

ALL-INDIA PRESS FESTIVAL.

In order to consider these and other problems connected with the future of the Indian Press, I propose that we should soon hold an All-India Press Festival at which working journalists, irrespective of rank, views or colour could meet in a festive mood and rub shoulders with one another trying to understand each other's point of view. Instead of having a Reception Committee we should have a committee of hosts which besides consisting of working journalists representing English and vernacular press should also have leaders of various organisations working for India's regeneration. It will be generally agreed, Sir that most of our present day troubles are largely due to want of proper understanding, and this understanding seems impossible as long as people think in their own grooves and dwell in their own worlds created by such thinking.

The writer feels that a close contact between the working journalists and the leaders of various schools of thought, be it in politics, religion, science or social-reform, will go a great way in creating a healthy press. The proposed Press Festival should be able to provide such a meeting ground. A spirit of 'esprit de corps' between the Indian and Anglo-Indian press also is very necessary to-day. The Press Festival could also be availed of to have demonstrations in improved methods of composing, printing, block-making, press-photography and several other things connected with the press.

Sir, I have placed these views before you and your readers for what they are worth. I shall feel greatly encouraged and obliged if those who approve of the idea of holding an All-India Press Festival would kindly write to me so that, if sufficient response is forthcoming, we might soon call for a preliminary gathering for devising measures to bring the Festival into existence at an early date. I further beg to suggest that we should, as soon as circumstances permit, also hold a World Press Festival to which world's eminent journalists and authors including those of the belligerent nation should be invited. It is my firm conviction, Sir, that such Press Festivals conducted in different countries would help the cause of world peace to a very great extent.

Mr. Venkataramani On His Mission

Mr. K. S. Venkataramani, the well-known South Indian author who is now in Bombay, will be glad to meet those interested in his present mission, the founding of an ashrama for Rural Reconstruction and Indian Renaissance, between 8 and 11 in the morning. He stays till the end of this month as the guest of Mr. S. Raghunathan at No. 16, Patkar's New Blocks, Turner Road, Bandra, Bombay.

FOR OVERSEAS PASSENGERS

Vaccination Certificates Essential

A notice issued by the Bombay Port Health Department says:—

"Owing to the probability that Bombay Port will shortly be declared as infected with epidemic smallpox, and has already been thus declared by certain Overseas Ports, all passengers embarking from Bombay for foreign Ports are strongly advised to provide themselves with Vaccination Certificates in evidence of their having been vaccinated or re-vaccinated more than 12 days and less than 3 years prior to the date of embarkation. In the absence of such Vaccination Certificates, difficulty, inconvenience and delay in landing may be experienced by passengers when disembarking at their ports of destination. In addition it should be noted that as soon as Bombay is declared by the Health Board to be infected with epidemic smallpox the Port Health Officer will require to see such vaccination certificates before permitting passengers to embark from this port.

Persons desiring to visit ships for the purpose of meeting or seeing off friends or relations are similarly warned that, as soon as the Port has been declared to be epidemically infected, no visitors will be allowed on board until they have passed medical inspection and have produced a vaccination certificate in evidence of similar recent vaccination."

FOR DEVELOPMENT OF COTTAGE INDUSTRIES

Experimental Workshop For Bombay Industrial Engineer

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes:—

Government have sanctioned the installation of an experimental workshop for the Industrial Engineer at a cost of Rs. 33,000 to be met from the allotment of Rs. 1,50,000 provided in the budget for the development of cottage industries.

The object of the workshop is to enable the industrial engineer to carry out experimental work in connection with cottage and small scale industries with a view to improving them.

Special provision has been made for the equipment and staff necessary to carry out experiments relating to glass bangles, oil pressing, Sann Hemp and imitation gold thread industries.

Dr. Gilder For Madras

The Hon. Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister of Health, will leave Bombay on Sunday, Dec. 27 to attend the Health Ministers' Conference at Madras and will return on January 2.

Mr. Munshi For Ahmedabad

The Hon. Mr. K. M. Munshi, Minister for Law and Order, will visit Ahmedabad on Dec. 27 and thence proceed to Karachi, returning to Bombay on Jan. 4.

Mr. Nurie Cancels Nasik And 'Nagar Tour

The Hon. Mr. Nurie, Minister for Public Works, has cancelled his proposed tour to the Canal areas in Nasik and Ahmednagar.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

Bombay Programme

VUB 244 metres, 1,231 kc/s.
TRANSMISSION I.

a.m.

11-0 Homji Sisters. A Variety Concert. 11-45 Moulvi G. M. Kamar. Recitation from Quran.

noon.

12-0 "Vikhrayly Moti". Gujarati Musical Play. Written and directed by Shambhu.

p.m.

1-0 A Variety Programme. 5-30 Uicle Gorgonzola let Loose at Zoo. Relayed from Victoria Gardens. 5-45 "For Children". 6-30 News in Marathi. 6-35 To Bhumijan 7-30 Commercial News. 7-40 Talk (Marathi): "Goa—Land of Romance". No. 2. By U. M. Bhende. 7-55 Mehboobjan of Sholapur. Assisted by the VUB Instrumentalists. 8-45 News in Hindustani. 9-0 News in English. 9-15 Olga Athaide—Piano. 9-45 "To-night in Bombay". Arranged and produced by G. R Genge. 10-0 Joe Rich and his Swing Boys With Dorothy Steller. 10-26 Harry Lauder—Baritone. 10-30 Archie and Wattie 11-0 "Adeste Fideles". Carols by Brass Chorus of Bombay City Police Band.

Delhi Programme

VUD 340.13 metres, 882 kc/s.
TRANSMISSION I.

a.m

8-0 Recitation from Quran. 8-15 Mahboob. 8-35 Benazir Bai or Jaipore. 9-0 Sabiri. Jaunpri on Sarangi. 9-10 News (English): 9-20 News (Hindustani): 9-30 Mohammad Aslam. 10-5 Benazir Bai of Jaipore.

TRANSMISSION II.

p.m.

12-30 Indian Music. 1-30 A Waltz Programme.

TRANSMISSION III.

p.m.

5-0 AIR Orchestra—Pat Dip. 5-10 Majidan Bai of Delhi. 5-30 Mohammad Aslam. 5-55 AIR Artists—Sitar and Sarod. 6-0 Benazir Bai of Jaipore. 6-30 "For Villagers Only". 7-30 Mohammad Aslam. 7-50 Mahboob. 8-0 Talk (Hindustani): "Hamara Tumhara Khuda Badshah". No. 4. Gul Bakawali. By L. Ahmad. Stories from early Hindustani classics. 8-15 Majeedan Bai. Classical and Light Music 8-30 Bed-time Story for Children. By N. Begam. 8-37 Mohammad Aslam—Geets. 8-55 Benazir Bai of Jaipore. 9-15 News and Weather (Hindustani) 9-30 News and weather (English) 9-45 Ballet Music. 10-0 A Talk: By Sir James Jeans—President of the British Association Delegation to Indian Science Congress at Calcutta. 10-15 Recital of Song. Elizabeth Coyne: Soprano. F. F. C. Edmonds: Baritone. John Foulds at Piano. 10-55 Late News.

Delhi II

(VUD 86 metres, 3,495 kc/s.)
TRANSMISSION I.
Programmes as in Delhi I.
TRANSMISSION II.
Programmes as in Delhi I.
TRANSMISSION III.

p.m.

5-0 to 6-30 Programme as in Delhi I. 6-30 Majeedan Bai. 6-55 Haider Hussain. Alap Aiman on Surbahar. 7-5 Benazir Bai of Jaipore Classical and Light Music. 7-30 to 9-45 Programmes as in Delhi I. 9-45 Majeedan Bai. 10-0 to 10-15 Programmes as in Delhi I. 10-15 Benazir Bai of Jaipore. Classical and Light Music. 10-30 AIR Orchestra—Nat Behag. 10-40 Majeedan Bai. 10-55 Late News.

Calcutta Programme

VUC 370.4 metres, 810 kc/s. and 49.10 metres, 6,109 kc/s.
(Add 24 mts. for Calcutta time.)

a.m.

11-36 Special Yule-Tide Concert. By Grand Hotel Orchestra.

p.m.

12-36 "Christmas Pie" 1-36 Recital of Islamic Songs. 2-6 Readings from Quran. By Ibni Ahmad. 2-21 A Special Feature Programme. Women Famous in History. No. 1 "Mirabai". 5-6 For Children. 6-6 Indian Theatrical Night "Raghubir". Presented by AIR Players. 8-46 News and Weather (Bengali). 9-1 Commercial News and Weather (English) 9-6 News and Announcements. 9-21 Orchestral Interlude. 9-36 Christmas Eve Dance Music. By Grand Hotel Orchestra.

Mysore Programme

(Wl. 310 and 70.2 metres, Fre. 968 and 4265 kc/s.

7-0 to 9-15 p.m. 1 X'mas Eve: Sacred Music by St. Cecilia's music party. (1) Alma Redemtoris. (2) Holy night. (3) Adeste Fidelis. (4) Angels we have heard on high. (5) Christmas Carol. (6) Blues where are we now. (7) Hearts and Homes. (8) Rocked in the cradle of the Deep. (9) What thou I trace. (10) Scenes that are brightest (11) March of the Cameron men. (12) Sweet Bells are ringing. (ii) Mysore News (9 p.m.)

B. B. C. Programme

GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97m.) GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86m.). GSF 15.14 Mc/s (19.82m.)
GSJ until 9-0 p.m. 21.53 Mc/s (13.93m.).
GSD from 9-15 p.m. 11.75 Mc/s (25.53m.).

p.m.

7-45 Big Ben Variety. 8-15 "I remember". 8-55 Festival of a lessons and carols in K. C. Chapel. 9-30 News and Announcements. 9-50 "Oliver Twist".

AROUND THE COURTS

Bombay, Thursday.

The Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Wassoodev at the High Court confirmed the sentence of death passed by the Sessions Judge of Sholapur on Mahadev Krishna on the charge of murdering his young wife.

His mother had been convicted by the lower court of abetment and sentenced to transportation for life. But the High Court found that there was not sufficient evidence to sustain that conviction and, therefore, that sentence was set aside. The Court, however, found her guilty of fabricating evidence in order to shield her son and on this charge she was sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment. The sentences of two other persons who had been convicted of destroying evidence of the murder was reduced from 5 years to 2 years' rigorous imprisonment.

"As the 'Panchnama' was being prepared, stones were thrown at the police by the members of a gang and one of the Police Officers and a 'pancha' were slightly hurt" said Mr. D. S. Honavar of the Vigilance Branch, C.I.D., Bombay, describing the raid carried out by him last night at Matharpakadi.

The police stated that the three accused were carrying on "satta" gambling on the ground floor of Jagusing Kalkasing Chawl, No. 1, Andhar Lane, Matarpakadi. Sutta slips, marked coins, and cash are stated to have been seized by the police.

The Magistrate ordered the three accused to be released on bail.

The full story of alleged extraordinary blackmail on a rich gold and silver broker by a fellow broker and his associate who posed as a police officer was told in the Chief Presidency Magistrat's Court today.

Manjrekar and Vithaldas, the two arrested persons were put up before the Chief Presidency Magistrate on Thursday and were enlarged on bail till January 6.

Suspect Released On Bail Of Rs. 500

At 1-20 a.m. on December 17, the Kalachowki Police, Bombay, received information that the mutilated body of a man was lying on the footpath on Messent Road and that one of the legs had been severed from the body.

The police visited the scene and ascertained that some motor vehicle had knocked down the man and killed him.

A man named David was sent to the Kalachowki Police Station, with a motor car No. T 1837, by the Manager of the Hindustan Vanaspati Manufacturing Co., situated at Haji Bunder, Sewri stating that the car had sustained a damage on the night in question and that the accused drove the car.

The police registered a case under section 304-A, I.P.C. (culpable homicide not amounting to murder). David was put under arrest on the night of December 20.

Requesting Mr. W. K. Mankar, Presidency Magistrate, Dadar, to remand the accused into Police custody, the Police stated that their enquiries showed that the accused had driven the car, which was badly damaged on the right mudguard, the number plate and the bumper and that it had blood stains.

The Coroner of Bombay opened the inquest on the body and after recording formal evidence, adjourned it to January 4.

The Magistrate ordered the accused to be released on bail in the sum of Rs. 500 and if unable to deposit a surety of Rs. 150, to be remanded into police custody till January 4.

Accident Verdict On Mr. Jamshed Mody

A verdict of accidental death was recorded to-day at the resumed inquest on the body of Mr. Jamshedji Mody, proprietor of Messrs. Brandon and Co.

It was stated that Mr. Mody's pony stud when passing the stables in the Race Course. Mr. Mody dropped the reins and fell down. He was removed to the Charak Clinic, where he died on December 18

Stove Tragedy

Yesterday morning, one Premkuwarbai (35), residing at Nawa Wadi was removing a pot of water from a lighted Primus stove, when her sari caught fire and she received extensive burns. She was removed to Sir Harkisondas Hospital, where she died this morning.

The Coroner recorded a verdict of accidental death.

Mohomed Deraj Nabab Ali was arrested by the Agripada Police yesterday under Sec. 304-A I. P. C.

It was alleged that the accused was driving his car along Haines Road when a boy, going in the same direction came in contact with the car and he was knocked down. The driver was offered bail, which he could not furnish. He was remanded into Police custody till January 6th, 1938, pending Police investigation.

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—RUPBANI, 17-12-'37.

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Selections For To-day's Races

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(BY "SENEX")

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1-45 p.m. THE MOSUL PLATE. Div. I.—7 Furlongs.
YA'ARUB PASHA 1
SAMAVI 2
HILAL AL NUSSER 3

2-15 p.m. THE PUNJAB PLATE.—6 Furlongs.
MAHARAJA'S CHOICE 1
RATHLORN 2

2-45 p.m. THE MOSUL PLATE. Div. II.—7 Furlongs.
NAYIB AL IRAQ 1
GHAZALAN 2
FAHAD BEG 3

3-15 p.m. THE QUEENSLAND PLATE. Div. II.—6 Furlongs.
TICANTO 1
RISING SUN 2
MAID OF ORLEANS 3

3-45 p.m. THE DECEMBER HANDICAP.—6 Furlongs.
SPANISH FLY 1
SIR AMOS 2
MISS GRENVILLE 3

4-15 p.m. THE KEMPTON PARK PLATE.—1 Mile.
ECCLESIASTIC 1
MANIFOLD 2
CHEAP JACK 3

4-45 p.m. THE SION PLATE.—1 1/4 Miles.
DILAWAR 1
FIRPO 2
AL HAMIL 3

5-15 p.m. THE AGA SHAMSHUDDIN PLATE.
GLANELY 1
HOUSE OF LORDS 2
DIGNITARY 3

5-45 p.m. THE QUEENSLAND PLATE. Div. I.—6 Furlongs.
MAD HATTER 1
WHO'S WHO 2
GOLD GALLEON 3

DOUBLE:—

NAYIB AL IRAQ and ECCLESIASTIC.

TREBLE:—

SPANISH FLY, DILAWAR and GLANELY

BOMBAY-POONA CYCLE RACE

To Start To-day At 6 a. m.

The following is the Programme of the Grand Prix Bombay-Poona Cycle Race organised by a Special Advisory Committee, under the auspices of the Bombay Presidency Cyclists' Union. It is to be run to-day (Friday). The start will be from opposite the Parsi Gymkhana, Dadar, at 6 a.m. (S.T.) and the route will be Bombay Poona Road. It will finish opposite the Engineering College, Poona.

The prizes are: (a) one prize for every five competitors, (b) A Special Gold Medal will be awarded to the first competitor completing the distance within 7 1/2 hours. (c) Prizes will be awarded to all competitors finishing the course within 9 hours.

The prize distribution will take place at the Parsi Gymkhana, Poona, at 5 p.m (S.T.) Khan Bahadur Sardar Dastoor Noshirwan Keikobad will preside and Mrs. Dastoor will give away the prizes.

B. S. N. Co.'s PLEASURE CRUISES.

PROGRAMME FOR X'MAS & NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

				P.M.	P.M.
FRIDAY,	24-12-37	S/L	"Lakshmi" Round "Dufferin"*	6-30	7-30
SATURDAY,	25-12-37	„	"Lakshmi" Round "Dufferin"*	6-30	7-30
SUNDAY,	26-12-37	„	"Lakshmi" Round 'Elephanta'**	3-30	7-30
SUNDAY,	26-12-37	S/L	"Ganga" Round "Dufferin"*	6-30	7-30
FRIDAY,	31-12-37	„	"Lakshmi" Round "Dufferin"*	6-30	7-30
SATURDAY,	1- 1-38	„	"Lakshmi" Round "Dufferin"*	6-30	7-30
SUNDAY,	2- 1-38	„	"Lakshmi" Round 'Elephanta'**	3-30	7-30
SUNDAY,	2- 1-38	„	"Ganga" Round "Dufferin"*	6-30	7-30

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B. P. C. C. ELECTIONS

Socialist Party's Thanks

The Secretaries of the Bombay Congress Socialist Party have issued the following statement to the press:—

"The delegates' elections in six out of the seven Wards of the City are just over. They were, perhaps, one of the most closely contested in the history of the Bombay Congress. We wish to take this opportunity of conveying our thanks to the Congress voters of Bombay for the generous support they gave to the candidates of the Congress Socialist Party. It is gratifying to note that in the A and C Wards, the Socialist candidates topped the poll. We interpret this as a proof of public confidence in the activities of the Congress Socialist Party, which are calculated to strengthen the prestige and position of the Congress and its morale as a fighting organization.

A MIRACLE.

"The elections were not only closely contested, but they also contained more than one extraordinary surprise to which we wish to call public attention. When the counting of C Ward votes was going on, bundles of unauthorised voting slips were discovered in the boxes of Syt. Bhulabhai J. Desai, President of the B.P.C.C. and of Syt. Ganpatishanker Desai, General Secretary of the same body. This has naturally created a great sensation among the public. The miracle repeated itself again when the votes of Syt. P. R. Lele were counted in the D Ward. The public would like to know what these gentlemen have to say in reply to the widespread comment. These gentlemen have described themselves as ardent advocates of truth and non-violence. Naturally there is a keen demand among the public to ascertain how professions of truth and non-violence can be reconciled with the presence of bundles of contraband voting slips in their ballot boxes.

MEHERALLY'S EXCLUSION.

"We would also like to invite the attention of the public to the manner in which Syt. Yusuf Meherally, who was one of the Party candidates in the C Ward, was prevented from contesting the elections on a flimsy pretext. It will be recalled that last year Mrs. Lilavati Munshi was allowed to stand for the elections from the very same constituency under similar circumstances. Syt. Meherally himself, far from raising any objection, supported the claims of Mrs. Munshi to stand as a candidate. It is not a little surprising that Syt. Bhulabhai J. Desai or his colleagues did not raise any point of order at that time. We do not wish to say anything more in the matter, for the voters in the C Ward have already expressed their resentment at Syt. Meherally's exclusion by returning Syt. Huthisingh, who was a Congress Socialist Party Candidate, at the top of the poll.

"We again express our appreciation of the generous public support to the candidates of the Party and trust that the lessons of this election will not be lost on the public."

SUBURBAN ELECTION WITHDRAWAL

(From Our Correspondent).

VILE PARLE, Thursday.

I am given to understand by the secretaries of the Suburban District Congress Committee that Sjt. Keshubhai Patel, President, Malad Congress Committee and Sjt Dhirubhai Vajubhai, Secretary, Borivli Congress Committee, have to-day withdrawn their candidature as a delegate for the ensuing Haripura Session in favour of Mrs. Devyani Desai. They desire their supporters and friends now to work and vote for Mrs. Desai and thus cooperate with her to make her candidature successful. There are now only three candidates. Sjt. Narmad Vaidya, Smt. Devyani Desai and Sjt. Bapat V. V.

Cairo Letter

EGYPT MUST RECOGNISE THEIR ABYSSINIAN EMPIRE!

Italian Govt.'s "Secret Instructions" To Their Ambassador At Cairo

(From Our Correspondent.)

CAIRO (By Air Mail.)

It seems that Italy is determined to see that Egypt does recognise her conquest over Ethiopia, or, in case of a failure, to break the diplomatic relations between the two countries.

The Italian Ambassador to the Royal Egyptian Court has arrived back from Rome after leave and it is stated that he has brought with him certain important secret instructions to be followed in this connection. The Ambassador will use his utmost influence to get the Egyptian Government to recognise the sovereignty of Italy over Abyssinia. In case he fails, he will be recalled to Rome, and it is understood that Il Duce will send another Ambassador to Cairo.

CHOICE FOR EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT.

This new Ambassador, while presenting his credentials, will, it is further understood, make it a point to present himself as the representative of His Majesty King Emmanuel of Italy and Emperor of Ethiopia. The result will be the Egyptian Government will be left with only two courses: either to accept the Sovereignty of Italy over Abyssinia, or refuse to accept the Italian Ambassador under the new title.

ABYSSINIAN PATRIARCHATE

The Italian Government have announced the separation of the Abyssinian Patriarchate from the Egyptian. Upto now, the Abyssinian Patriarchate was conducted and controlled by the Coptic Church of Egypt. The news has been received with great resentment by all Christians in both Abyssinia and Egypt.

The Italian Government have also transferred their Ambassador to Egypt to some other place. The new Ambassador is expected in Cairo shortly.

Central India Draw With Tennyson's Team

NAYUDU'S 10 RUNS IN TWO HOURS

Captures 3 Wickets For 33 Runs

THE SCORES:—

Central India	(1st Innings)	192
Central India	(2nd Innings) for 9 wkts. decl.	182
Tennyson's XI	(1st Innings)	191
Tennyson's XI	(2nd Innings) for 4 wkts.	126

INDORE, Dec. 23.

Having a lead of 39 runs and all their wickets in hand Central India resumed their second innings against the tourists this morning in real mid-winter weather.

Bhandarkar and Yusuf Ali yesterday's unbeaten opening pair, sent up 50 of the innings in 70 minutes and three runs later Gover dissolved the partnership as the result of a catch in the slips (53-1-27).

Bhandarkar had batted for 75 minutes and done what had been expected of him as an opening batsman.

Mushtaq Ali next came in. Gover and Worthington and later Pope fed him consistently with the legstuff which had been his undoing hitherto but Mushtaq Ali refused to fall into the trap.

He hooked judiciously varying the strength of his stroke according to the depth of the outfield and kept up a brisk rate of scoring, mostly to leg.

9 SINGLES IN 60 MINUTES.

At 88 Mushtaq Ali was bowled by Pope. He scored his 28 runs in 33 minutes. Naidu now came in and batted very steadily. Gover was brought on at 97 and Naidu sent up 100 in 142 minutes. In Gover's second over Naidu received a severe knock on the ribs from a ball which rose suddenly. Thereafter Naidu was prone to go out of the pitch to play Gover. Jameson came on at 103 and in his first Naidu should have been stumped. But McCorkell missed the chance. Naidu's score then was 5. Nine singles constituted Naidu's whole score after he had been batting for exactly an hour, which shows how carefully he was batting.

Ishtaq Ali was out l-b-w in Jameson's second over at 107 when Bhaya joined his Captain. This time Bhaya started off brilliantly driving Jameson forcefully on the pitch and cutting and squarecutting Pope. At lunch when he had been batting for 70 minutes Naidu's score was still 9.

NAIDU'S 10 FOR 2 HOURS.

On resumption all except Naidu adopted the policy of hitting. Only Bhaya, however, was able to maintain the standard of real class cricket while doing so.

Naidu was out in five minutes caught in the slips in playing forward to Langridge. Naidu was batting altogether for just under two hours for ten singles. Five runs later Hazare left bowled by Pope. The latter batsman who remained here to play in this match in preference to the Pentangular failed with the bat in both innings, but did well with the ball.

INNINGS DECLARED.

Sardar Mohd. Khan, a Daly College boy drove magnificently during the time he was at the wicket and three of his off drives reached the boundary. At 157 Mohd. Khan played a ball from Pope on to the wicket. Ziaul Hussain then hit Pope three times to the boundary in one over and was then caught at deep fine leg by Gibb. Godrej and Tata Rao added eleven runs for the last wicket and Naidu declared the innings closed at 3-5 p.m. leaving the tourists only 75 minutes' batting.

TOURISTS' SECOND VENTURE.

Naidu bowled two overs for one run and gave place to Hazare, Tata Rao later replacing Hussain at the other end.

Edrich and McCorkell hit out strongly scoring thirty in fifteen minutes and forty in 20. At 42 Naidu came on again and had McCorkell caught at square-leg, Bhaya taking an excellent catch running sideways to the left (42-1-15). Edrich's hooking and on driving was magnificent and in his first 28 runs he had five fours. Hardstaff was missed in the slips off Naidu and the very next ball Mushtaq dropped him at forward short-leg. The latter was an extremely difficult chance, which Mushtaq let fall after nearly holding it. At tea the total was 58 for one wicket.

HARDSTAFF SHOWS HIS FORM.

During the last hour's play the only element of interest was to see the stroke play of the English batsmen when they had the opportunity to exhibit it without any hazard to their side. Edrich was his usual balanced self, blending defence with attack, but Hardstaff gave a glimpse of the form he must have reached in scoring the fastest century of last season in England. His drives on both sides of the wicket were perfect specimens of that stroke, the power he put behind them being terrific. Hazare and Tata Rao came in for a lot of punishment and then Naidu came on himself and again broke up the partnership, Mushtaq Ali holding a good catch at square-leg (81-2).

YARDLEY SENTS UP CENTURY.

Yardley sent up the century in 70 minutes and at 110 Naidu captured his third wicket, the Cambridge Captain being caught at short-leg by Yusuf Ali. Just before this Edrich had reached his 50 in 75 minutes. This score was faultless and included five hits to the boundary. Langridge was out for a duck at 111 caught at cover by Naidu off Bhaya who was given a chance with the ball during the last quarter hour's play. Edrich and Gibb played out time, the match ending in a draw.—A.P.

CENTRAL INDIA: 2ND INNINGS.

Bhandarkar, c Edrich, b Gover	27
Yusuf Ali, b Langridge	25
Mushtaq Ali, b Pope	28
C. K. Nayudu, c Pope, b Langridge	10
Ishtaq Ali, l-b-w b Jameson	5
Bhaya, c Langridge, b Gover	21
Hazare, b Pope	2
Sardar Mohd. Khan, b Pope	17
Ziaul Hussain, c Gibb b Gover	16
Godrej (not out)	6
Tata Rao, (not out)	2
Extras	23
Total (for 9 wkts.) declared	182

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gover	21	5	35	3
Pope	25	3	57	3
Worthington	8	0	29	0
Peebles	1	0	2	0
Langridge	10	1	28	2
Jameson	7	2	8	1

TENNNYSON XI 2ND INNINGS.

Edrich (not out)	66
McCorkell, c Bhaya, b Nayudu	15
Hardstaff, c Mushtaq Ali, b Nayudu	26
Yardley, c Yusuf Ali, b Nayudu	10
Langridge, c Nayudu, b Bhaya	0
Gibb, (not out)	4
Extras	5
Total (for 4 wkts.)	126

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Nayudu	15	2	33	3
Ziaul Hussain	2	0	16	0
Hazare	9	1	33	0
Tata Rao	2	0	11	0
Mushtak Ali	3	0	13	0
Bhaya	4	0	15	1

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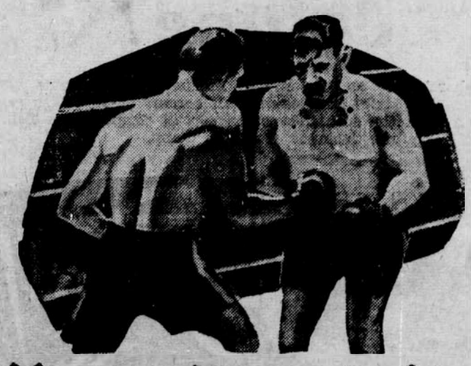

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LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

To-day

Hindu: Margashirsha Vad 7, 1994
Muslim: Shawal 20, 1356
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Highlide: 4.25; 17.13
Lowtide: 11.8; 22.10
Sunrise: 7h. 8m.
Sunset: 6h. 9m.
Christmas Eve Banks closed.

Saturday, December 25.

Christmas Day. Banks closed.

POSTAL NOTICE

Parcels for Germany direct per M. S. "Kandelfels" will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 9-30 a.m. on Monday the 27th instead of as previously notified.

AIR SERVICES TO KATHIAWAR

Their Schedule Plane came this evening at 5-45 from Kathiawar with 5 passengers.

LATE SHAMRAO S. MADAN

The 33rd Anniversary of the Marathi Journalist, the late Mr. Shamrao S. Madan, shall be celebrated to-day (Friday), at 9-30 a.m. (S.T.) at Madan Building Tara Temple Lane Bombay, when Mr. D. G. Vaidya has kindly consented to conduct the Divine Service.

EDUCATION OF KARNATAKIS IN BOMBAY

At the meeting of the residents of Karnatak held on 19th December 1937, at Empress Mahal, Dadar, under the presidentship of Mr H. G. Mudgal, M.A., Mr. V. S. Kalnad has been authorised to organise an educational institution for the residents of Karnatak in Bombay and appoint a committee or committees for the administrative work in connection with the same in future.

THE CAPITOL: Friday, 24th Dec "Limelight" starring Anna Neagle and Arthur Tracey, Saturday, 25th "Top Hat" co-starring Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers and Sunday, 26th Bobby Breen's latest musical hit "Make a Wish". On 26th Sunday, children will be given free toys.

KARNATAK FRIENDS' UNION

The members of 'The Karnatak Friends' Union' will stage "Parijata" at Bhangwadi, Princess Theatre, Kalbadevi Road, to-day (Friday) at 9 p.m. (S. T.).

SANSKRIT AND HINDI CONFERENCES

The 11th All-India Sanskrit Literary Conference and the 12th Punjab Provincial Hindi Literary Conference will be held from 25th to 30th inst., on the Hindu Sabha College premises at Amritsar.

OFFICIAL AND PERSONAL

Captain C. E. Morgan, R. N., Commander G. E. A. Jackson and Madame Cluzel lunched at Government House on Thursday.

AT VILE PARLE

Mr. Narayan Vasanji Thakkur presided at Vile Parle and also Babasaheb attended the ceremony in the absence of Sheth Mulji Ranchhod Ved. Mr. Babasaheb took his chair and both the Shastries of Vile Parle Sanskrit Pathashala delivered the lectures on Sthitta-Pradnya.

The last day the Maharaj Krishna Lalji of Jamnagar presided and delivered his eloquent Pravachan on Adhatma-Vidyanam. Swami Devnayakacharya in his concluding speeches spoke on all the Shastras contained in the Geeta.

RAMANA JAYANTI

The following are the details of Programme during the Sree Ramana Jayanti Festival which is being conducted by Sri Ramana Satchidananda Samaj, from 19th instant:—

To-day (Friday) from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.:—Musical entertainment by Sreeman Lakshminarasimha Iyer (Vocal) with suitable accompaniments.

From 9 p.m. to 11 p.m.:—Harikatha Kalakshepam by Sreeman Raghunatha Patracharia.

To-morrow (Saturday) from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.:—Musical entertainment by Sreemati Lakshmi (Mrs. Narayana Iyer) Veena Solo.

From 9 p.m. to 11 p.m.:—Musical entertainment by Miss. Chellammal (Vocal) Mr. Krishnaswamy Iyengar (Violin) Mr. Parameshwaran (Mirdangam), Mr. P. R. P. Monon (Harmonium).

Sunday (26th inst):—From 8-30 a.m to 1 p.m.:—Guru Puja, Brahmana Sadharpana and Feeding of the Poor.

From 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.:—Grand Procession with Music and Bhajan.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Make A Wish". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Tukaram" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-15 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Calling All Stars" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Eternal Music" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m.
KRISHNA—"The Unexpected" Daily at 5, 8 and 10-30 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Duniya Kya Hai" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
MINERVA—"Jeevan Prabhat" Daily at 5-30, 8 and 10-30 p.m.
PATHE—"Life of Emile Zola" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PLAZA—"Sons of the Desert." Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m
REGAL—"Victoria The Great" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Vidyapati" Daily at usual time.
SUPER "His Highness". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10 p.m
THE BROADWAY—"The Poor Little Rich Girl" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m
WELLINGTON—"My Dear Miss Aldrich" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m
WEST END—"Toofani Toli" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.

ABDUL KARIM MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

The first meeting of the Committee for the Memorial of Guruvarya Khansaheb Abdul Karim will be held to-day (Friday) at 6 p.m. in the Hall of Shri Saraswati Sangit Vidyalaya Navroji Street, Thakurdwar.

RURAL RECONSTRUCTION ASHRAM

Mr. K. S. Venkataramani, the well-known South Indian author who is now in Bombay, will be glad to meet those interested in his present mission, the founding of an Ashram for Rural Reconstruction and Indian Renaissance, between 8 and 11 in the morning. He stays till the end of this month as the guest of Mr. S. Raghunathan at No. 16, Patkar's New Block-Turner Road, Bandra, Bombay.

MRS. DEVYANI DESAI'S APPEAL TO THE VOTERS

In the course of an appeal to voters Mrs. Devyani Desai says:—

You are all aware of what little service I have been doing in the suburban district and the desire to seek wider scope for service is legitimate one. I have therefore decided to stand as a candide at the ensuing election of the Haripura Session delegate from the Andheri—to—Dahisar electorate. It is as no outsider that I claim to stand. I have spent my early years of childhood in Andheri—which is my home as it were. My connection with Malad Gujarati Stree Mandal and our frequent visits to suburbs such as Kandivali, Borivali, etc., need not be mentioned to request you all to cast in your valued vote against my name in the Ballot Box on Sunday the 26th inst.

Mahatma Gandhi's clarion call has urged many a true son and daughter of mother India to the service of the motherland and it has specially opened the portal for my sisters. I am one of those who is following the behest of the Congress sense then. Mere jail going is no criterion of service and I do not desire to forward it before you. Thousands of our brothers and sisters have faced this ordeal as cheerfully as I have done and the suburban district has given us sufficient scope for it.

As a member of the Maharastra Provincial Congress Committee, I have participated in the deliberations of the work by larger attendance and given a chance this year, I will do my best to serve the district and the province as best as I can.

This year's momentous session of Haripura has thrilled many to represent as delegate and I would take this opportunity to request you all to cast your valued vote in my service through M. P. C. C. I do hope that you all give me that scope by casting your vote against my name in the ballot box next Sunday. Vote for "Swastik" is vote for me.

RATNAGIRI CHAMBHARS' POLITICAL CONFERENCE

Mr. B. G. Kelshiker Secretary, R. C., writes:—

A political conference of the Chambhars of the Ratnagiri District residing in the City of Bombay will be held on Sunday, the 26th inst., at 2 p.m. at B. D. D. Chawls, Naigaum. The Subject Committee will meet to-morrow (Saturday) night

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

G. I. P. Railway

TIMINGS VICTORIA TERMINUS

Trains	Arr H.M	Dep H.M
Madras Mail	6 00	22 00
Peshawar and Lucknow Express	6 15	23 00
Calcutta Mail via Nagpur	7 40	17 50
Calcutta Mail via Chheoki	8 25	20 55
Madras Express	10 10	15 0
Deccan Queen (on Mondays only)	10 30	
Deccan Queen (on Fridays only)		17 15
Poona Mail	10 25	17 30
unjab Mail	11 15	18 55
Nagpur Express	14 55	21 5
Poona Fast Passenger	17 0	11 35
Poona Express	19 24	8 05
Allahabad Express	20 15	7 0

B. B. & C. I. Railway

TIMINGS AT BOMBAY CENTRAL

Mail, Express and Passenger train timing in force from October 1, 1937:—

Trains	Arr H.M	Dep. H M
Ahmedabad Passenger	5 35	22 05
Delhi Express	6 00	22 05
Gujerat Mail	6 45	20 25
Kathiawar Mail	7 25	21 50
Frontier Mail	8 15	21 30
Frontier Mail on Saturdays at Ballard Pier	8 40	
Ahmedabad Passenger	13 35	13 50
Kathiawa. Express	18 45	8 45
Baroda Passenger	20 33	9 25
The Flying Ranee Mondays only from Surat	9 45	
'The Flying Ranee' daily except on Mondays	10 55	
'The Flying Ranee' Mondays only from Bulsar	9 15	
'The Flying Ranee' Saturdays only to Surat		15 10
'The Flying Ranee' Saturdays only to Bulsar		15 50
'The Flying Ranee daily except Saturdays to Surat		18 05

NASIK TAXI STRIKE ENDS

(From Our Correspondent.)

NASIK, Dec. 21.

A provisional settlement was arrived at between Messrs. G. H. Deshpande and V. N. Naik on the one hand who represented the Taxi Drivers and the Railway Inspector of Police over the question of providing parking facilities in the Station.

The Inspector of Police issued an order some time back prohibiting the parking of more than six taxis near the Nasik Road Station against which the taxi-drivers and motor-car owners declared a strike. The Inspector of Police and the Station Master came to the Office of the Congress Committee and a settlement was reached according to which more cars were allowed to be parked pending the ratification by the Superintendent of Railway Police.

It is further understood that Messrs Deshpande and Naik are going to see the Collector of Nasik to secure a place other than that allowed by the Railway authorities for a stand for more taxis.

Regal Theatre New Gift Scheme

Christmas is the Session of Greetings and of Gifts. The Management of the Regal Theatre have made it possible for you to double the value of your Christmas greetings by sending a gift along with it. And the noveity of the gift solves the eternal problems of selecting something new and different from the usual run of gifts. At the nominal price of cinema tickets only, it would no more be a problem to please relatives or friends as to what gift to buy, because cinema tickets when received with the Season's Greetings would be not only acceptable but be heartily welcomed.

We have pleasure in announcing a novel scheme whereby the public can purchase greeting-cards and ticket coupons combined, with which to greet their relatives or friends. For example, a person wishing to send greetings to a friend, has only to purchase the required number of greeting-cards from the Regal Box Office, to which is attached a coupon for 2 seats and 4 seats in the Balcony and Stalls classes and the holder of which are entitled to get admission to the Regal Theatre for any one show upto the 14th of January.

As only a very limited number of these cards are issued, the public are hereby requested to avail themselves of this novel offer at their earliest convenience so as to avoid any possible disappointment. The cards will be made available from the Regal Theatre Booking Office from Friday, 24th December.

Postal And R. M. S. Conference Postponed

The General Secretary, Reception Committee R. M. S. Conference writes:—

The sixteenth session of the All-India (including Burma) Postal and R. M. S. Conference which was to be held at Patna on the 25th and 26th December 1937, has been, with the consent of the President-elect (Mr. Asaf Ali, Bar-at-Law, M.L.A.), postponed till Easter Holidays.

Special Morning Shows

BROADWAY:—"Cain and Mabel" also many side films. Time:—Daily three shows at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m. Every Sunday Morning Show at 10-30 a.m.

THE REGAL: Friday, 24th Dec. "Rainbow on the River" featuring Bobby Breen, Saturday, 25th Dec. selected programme of Shirley Temple's Short Comedies and other shorts and Father Christmas will come with a cartload of toys for free distribution among children. And Sunday 26th Dec. the picture "Innocents of Paris" featuring Maurice Chevalier.

Mahratta Educational Conference Postponed

BOMBAY, Dec. 23.

The Secretary of the Reception Committee of the All-India Mahratta Educational Conference (Jath) wires to-day that owing to the sudden demise of H. H. Sir Tukojirao Pawar Maharaja of Dewas (senior) the twenty-fourth Session of the All-India Mahratta Educational Conference that was to take place at Jath on the 25th and 26th instant has been postponed indefinitely.—A.P.

Vigorous Propaganda For The Rent Bill

At the first meeting of the newly-elected Managing Board of the Association held on Saturday last, after the election of the Ward-Secretaries was over, it was decided to make vigorous propaganda in support of Mr. S. C. Joshi's Rent Bill which will be introduced in the Special Session of January next.

Air Mail Delayed

As the Imperial Airways Eastbound 'plane due to arrive Karachi on Thursday, the 23rd Dec., 1937 is delayed by 24 hours, the London-India air mails which are due to arrive in Bombay on Friday, the 24th Dec. 1937, will be received here in the afternoon on Saturday, the 25th Dec. 1937 and issued out for delivery at the Bombay G.P.O. at 12-30 p.m. on Sunday, the 26th Dec. 1937 in the ordinary course. The delivery of the air mail correspondence (ordinary) will, however, be made to those who call for the same at the window of the respective delivery offices on the 25th Dec. 1937 (which is a P. O. Holiday), during the working hours.

The latest hour of posting air mail correspondence at the Bombay G.P.O. for Hyderabad (Dn.) and Madras will be as follows:—

Unregistered Correspondence: 11-30 a.m. on 25-12-'37.

Registered Correspondence: 5-00 p.m. on 24-12-'37.

IN AID OF BOMBAY NATIONAL GUARDS

Variety Entertainment At Azad Maidan

Spiced with music and playing of band and flute, gymnastic feats by Prof. Sheshappa and party and other feats of strength exhibited by several other athletic associations of the City were greeted with applause at the grand variety entertainment held in aid of the Bombay National Guards at the Azad Maidan Exhibition stadium on Thursday night.

Although the staircase acrobatics performed by Prof. Sheshappa's Party met with a small initial disaster, the crowning success which the pupils received, brought forth a sigh of relief and a thunderous applause from the spectators.

Mr. K. N. Gaitonde, President of the Bombay National Guards, in a short speech traced the origin of the movement whose object was national service on a non-communal basis.

Drill and discipline, Mr. Gaitonde observed, had been the props of their efficiency and success in the national movement and with such a noble and exalted ideal before them, he hoped that more young men would join it.

Non-violence, he declared, was their sheet-anchor.

Mr. Gaitonde thanked the Muslim Mass Contact Committee for the opportunity and the support afforded him in bringing about this grand variety entertainment.

Difficult staircase acrobatics, dexterous chair-balancing, novel ladder performances, chain-breaking feats and other interesting feats of strength by Prof. Trivedi afforded much entertainment for more than two hours.

Spectators seemed glued to their seats, when Prof. Sarkari showed the technique of muscle control.

The boys of the C.V.O. Jain Boarding Home, Matunga, played the band.

Gama Pahelwan, who presided on the occasion, thanked the Bombay National Guards for having done him the honour as President of the evening.

Gama Pahelwan made a fervent appeal for inter-communal unity. He said that members of all the communities irrespective of all other considerations should unite and strive for national independence and progress. Hindus, Muslims, Christians, Parsis and members of other communities should join together in service of their motherland.

Dr. P. S. Nair, General Secretary Bombay National Guards, thanked Gama Pahelwan for accepting their invitation and the public for extending their whole-hearted co-operation. He said that Gama had raised India in the estimation of the world by his wrestling prowess.

Dr. Nair on behalf of the National Guards offered thanks to Prof. Sheshappa and his pupils, to Mr. Narayan and the Matunga Athletic Club, to Prof. Sarkari and Prof. Trivedi for having contributed to the success of the programme of the evening.

Farewell Visit To India

Mr. J. B. Higgins Eastern representative for Messrs. Cadbury and Fry, is making a farewell visit to India before retiring. He will make his future home in Worcestershire.

Since 1920 Mr. Higgins has been a yearly visitor to India on behalf of the famous chocolate firm. "Bunny," as he is known to his hundreds of friends in India, Burma and Ceylon, he has managed to mix business with pleasure in just the right proportions. A keen cricketer, he played for Worcestershire and has captained the county team; also he has done much to foster the spirit of cricket in India.

Mr. Higgins was in Kenya when the Great War commenced and he joined the East African Mounted Rifles, with which he saw active services in East Africa. On returning to England he was gazetted to the Royal Warwickshire Regiment and went with it to France.

His numerous business and social friends will join in wishing him many happy years of retirement.

Elphinstone High School Athletics

(From A Correspondent.)

The annual Athletic Sports were held on the 21st inst., on the School playground before a large gathering of guardians of boys and past students of the school. Mr Mohanlal M. Desai, Advocate, presided on the occasion and gave away prizes.

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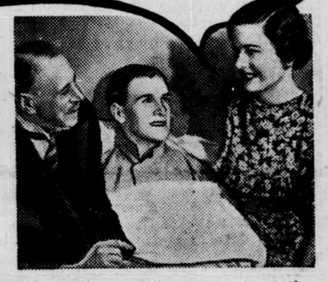

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TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(BY A SUBURBAN MAN)

To-day my thoughts are naturally turned to Christmas thoughts, suspense and gladness, means a wealth of pleasures to mankind.

Leaving all the prehistoric legends let us now see in what way the arrival of Christmas keeps us in suspense.

TO-NIGHTS SERVICE.

Christmas.....it arrives, every thing is spick and span, quite pleasing and appealing to the human eye. The excitement of its arrival now mounts higher and higher in a crecendo, when amidst a crash of drums and trumpets the gates of this great festival are at last flung open. To-night as the moon throws its silvery rays in all its splendour, the heavy footsteps of the Christian population, dressed in their very best will be seen making their way to the surrounding churches, solemnly and devotedly going through the religious rites of the celebration.

As the grandfather clock or nature's dial reaches the hour of midnight, the mills and trains with their continual blasts of whistles bring back the memory of the coming of this Divine King.

SUBURBAN CHARMS.

At the closing of the service, starts the fun of the festival, every nook and corner, by-lanes and main roads are filled with a lively atmosphere. Carol singers are found in groups og tens or more, with mandolins, guitars and every possible instrument they can carry, stringing beautiful music which makes the stillness of the night echo with jolity and mirth.

Cottages, compounds and terraces gaily decorated with flags and buntings and gorgeously illuminated with lights of various colour where the tiniest tod to the wrinkled grandad will join in imaginative, free and noble games, such as 'Blind man's buff' or 'Hunt the Slipper' and roar in continual laughter and thus bring in the morn till the rays of the golden sun shines in all its radiance. In a few families and circle of friends the mistletoe will yet be a part of the fun, but the old saying that the maiden who is not kissed under the mistletoe would never get married during the coming year stands no ground.

Christmas in the Suburbs with all its splendid celebrations with the added charms of natural scenery adds a wealth of pleasures and presents an unique sight.

UNION HIGH SCHOOL

Annual Sports

The Annual Sports of the Union High School were held on the Wilson College Gymkhana ground on Tuesday the 21st inst. There was a variety of programme and the standard of competition in the various events was also of a high order. The function terminated with the distribution of the prizes by Mr. L. S. Bhandare, the Principal of the school.

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PHYSICAL TRAINING

The Bombay Physical Education Committee, appointed only two months ago, has already submitted its report to Government. The official summary shows that the report is fairly comprehensive and full of practical suggestions. The Committee's main terms of reference were (1) to suggest measures for the improvement of physical education in the Presidency, (2) to draw up an actual scheme of physical education for primary and secondary schools, and (3) to advise how far it is practicable to introduce compulsion. In discussing all these points the Committee claims to have approached the subject with the ideal "not merely to build up a powerful and healthy body but also to evoke and foster those personal and civic virtues in pupils which would make them better citizens." The recommendations show that the Committee has steadily followed this high ideal. The Committee's main recommendation is that physical education "should be looked upon as an integral part of general education and that it should be a compulsory subject in schools. To this end the Committee suggests that at least 45 minutes should every day be devoted to physical activities in every school. In view of the difficulty that poor schools may experience in equipping gymnasia, and providing for play grounds and engaging whole time physical trainers, the Committee recommends that Government should undertake the responsibility of paying the full share of grant-in-aid due on all expenditure on physical education incurred by a school or a local body, irrespective of Government's ability to pay the ordinary grant-in-aid on the total expenditure of that school or local body. It is also recommended that where suitable land is available Government and local bodies should either make a free gift of it to the local schools or at least permit its use on a nominal rent. Where such land is not available suitable plots should be acquired for schools on a grant-in-aid basis. To solve the problem in big cities, Government are urged to press the respective municipalities to make adequate provision for open spaces in their town planning schemes. It will be seen from these principal recommendations that the problem of physical education, like general education, is largely one of finance and cannot be satisfactorily solved unless Government, local bodies and the public co-operate to secure the necessary funds.

Control Of Sadavartas

The next essential is a special organisation charged with the responsibility of promoting physical culture. To this end the Committee recommends that Government "should create a statutory Standing Committee to advise the Minister of Education on all matters of physical education," to carry on propaganda for it, to prepare or help in preparing useful literature on physical training, with special reference to dieteties. Not the least interesting duty of the Standing Committee will be to "undertake educative propaganda for organizing charity and supplying milk free of cost to school-going children." And to help that body in this task it is suggested that Government "should control Sadavartas and other endowments for feeding the poor, by legislation if necessary, and should reserve them for the benefit of school going children." This is a comparatively new but most commendable idea and it behoves the public to support it whole-heartedly. No charity could be worthier than that of giving wholesome food to poor children. If Government and local bodies set an example in this respect, philanthropists and charity trustees will be doubly impressed by their precept.

Training Physical Instructors

Next comes the question of training the physical instructors. The Committee observes: "If we want to give its rightful place to physical education as an integral part of the general educational scheme, we must have trained physical educationists. When that is done and when playgrounds and gymnasia are controlled by them, our schools will not fail to send out ideal citizens of capacity and character that we demand." The Committee rightly suggests that the majority of the class-room teachers should also be physical instructors and be able to guide the students on the playgrounds as well as in the class-rooms. To this end a number of training centres should be started and physical culture should be one of the main subjects in all the ordinary teachers' training institutions. As regards the nature of physical training to be imparted in schools, the summary of the report gives few particulars. It, however, rightly emphasises the great value of organised games like football, 'atya-patya,' etc. not only in developing the body but also in inculcating discipline and sportsmanship. We shall write more on this point whom we get the full report. For the present we shall only say that if the authorities concerned provide the necessary funds and trained teachers, the latter may be trusted to show good results through organised games and suitable systems of scientific physical culture.

Stick To Manifesto

It is no revelation to learn from the C. P. Premier that in practice provincial autonomy is "a mere tomfoolery" that diarchy in a new form persists in every province and "that internal friction is going on in every Congress province." The Congress in fact anticipated all this when it decided to accept office with a view to wrecking the Constitution rather than working it in the normal way. Certain amount of friction is not only inevitable in the circumstances but even desirable, as it is conducive finally to the wrecking of the constitution. Moreover, the friction shows that Congress Ministers are not subservient, as desired by the Governors, just as the reported absence of friction in the non-Congress provinces tells quite a different story.

Dr. Khare is quite right in expecting the public in general and Congressmen in particular to strengthen the hands of the Ministers in their fight with the Governors and not to embarrass them needlessly. How the Ministers' hands are strengthened best is a question that should be carefully considered. Dr. Khare rightly suggests that Congressmen should themselves refrain from making "wild" demands and should discourage such demands being made by workers, peasants and the like. But it is often difficult to say what are wild demands; millions of hungry and destitute people cry for measures calculated just to keep their bodies and souls together. No Minister can satisfy all. But the demand is not wild. It is not possible for the distressed people to reduce their demands. Indeed to reduce the demands would not help the Ministers in securing the maximum benefit to the people in spite of the Governors' opposition. It may encourage the Governors to oppose the Ministers till the people's demands are further reduced. Speaking generally, the best way for all is to stick to the Congress election manifesto in respect of programmes and policies and the instructions of the competent Congress authorities.

FROM ACROSS THE SEAS

Gleanings From The World Press

(By Our London Correspondent).

Mussolini is still bidding for Moslem friendship, says the Jerusalem correspondent of the "Daily Express", London.

According to the correspondent, on Wednesday, December 8, pamphlets in Arabic, entitled "Italy's Love for Moslems" were distributed over Palestine. They claimed that Mossolini was making a paradise for Mohammedans in his dominions. Ornate illustrations included pictures of new gilded mosques in Tripoli and Ethiopia, also Moslems cheering Mussolini on his Libyan tour.

"Italy loves you—won't you love Italy?" is one phrase.

End of Olympic Games.

The end of the Olympic Games is foreshadowed by Mr. J. T. Mahoney former president of the American Amateur Athletic Union. "Democracies", said Mr Mahoney, "will hesitate before sending their amateur athletics to compete with youths from government training camps of Germany, Italy, Japan and Russia. So greatly will the athletes of the dictator countries be subsidised in future that the Olympic Games will become not sporting contests but preliminary warfare". It is the gradual increase of competition in which governments will back their men that Mr. Mahoney believes will eventually finish the games.

Mr. Mahoney led the unsuccessful fight against American competition in the Berlin Games.

Tea Interval.

The International Non-Intervention Committee (London) now adopts towards itself a more humanitarian attitude than formerly.

A month ago it was pointed out the hardships entailed on diplomats by late sessions and still later dinners. The remarks were warmly welcome by the less Spartan members of the committee. In fact, they recently heartened M. Maisky to press for an amenity enjoyed even by the county cricketers—that of having a tea interval.

His suggestion was, it is believed, greeted with the nearest diplomatic approach to a cheer. Lord Plymouth granted an adjournment of a quarter of an hour there and then. Delegates, however, found that no tea was available within reach of the Foreign Office. Tea, however, will now be brought in to them.

The Press and Politicians.

Mr. Chamberlain has accepted an invitation to be the chief guest of the Parliamentary Press Gallery annual dinner in March, 1938. Modelling his remarks on the lines of the King's speech, he will be able to announce that "my relations with the Press continue to be friendly".

Since Mr. Chamberlain was the principal guest in 1933 he will be one of the few statesmen to be twice honoured by the Parliamentary journalists. It is an honour he will share with Lord Baldwin and Mr. Lloyd George.

Every Prime Minister in the past 30 years has dined with the Press Gallery. The first to do so was Lord Oxford in 1909.

"What would you do without us?" he asked rhetorically.

"Starve" came the answer from somewhere in the room.

Mr. Churchill's Book.

It is stated that "Great Contemporaries", Mr Winston Churchill's new book of essays, which Mr. Chamberlain praised in his speech at the Central Hall Westminster, has already sold over 10,000 copies.

That is good going to a book published at so high a price as a guinea. Mr. Churchill, whose literary activities have been particularly strenuous during the last six months, hopes to complete the fourth and last volume of his "Life and Time of the Duke of Marlborough" by the end of February.

He will then start work at once on his "History of the English Speaking Peoples", which is to be published in fortnightly parts.

Sir Samuel and Tennis.

Sir Samuel Hoare, the Home Secretary, is much more than a titular president of the Lawn Tennis Association. He showed this again by finding time to preside for an hour and a half over the first of the meetings between L.T.A., representatives and first-class players.

The players want to be allowed their expenses at tournaments for a limited period of eight weeks each year—a concession granted in nearly all other countries. As Chairman, Sir Samuel Hoare could not be very definite about his own personal feelings, but it is learnt that it was not difficult to infer that he was sympathetic towards the change.

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Scene: Cloakroom at a London Restaurant. Time 10-30 p. m. Characters: Mr. W. S. Morrison,

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IN DEFENCE OF PROHIBITION

A Survey And A Reply To Criticism

By "OBSERVATEUR"

While Dr. Gilder, the Hon. Minister for Health and Excise, has given a complete and satisfactory reply, at a recent reception held in his honour in the city, to the argument of those who profess to entertain doubts about the advisability of introducing the kind of prohibition programme the Congress Ministry contemplates launching, it would be interesting to examine that argument and expose some of its obvious fallacies.

Analogy Run Amok

Major Vaidar, at a previous function, had expressed the fear that, if prohibition were introduced in the Presidency, the possibility remained of medical men turning into amateur bootleggers. The possibility is not without its romantic possibilities, one must say, and the transformation envisaged in any case, would yield rather interesting material for the gallant Major's psycho-analytical clinic and laboratory. But apart from this quasi-scientific aspect of the question, it would be necessary to inquire how the application of the American analogy and experience was justified at all to a situation that is fundamentally different from the American. The anti-prohibitionists in this country are fond of citing the American "experiment" and its sequelae and of pronouncing a prognosis that merely betrays their total incapacity to deal with the situation in a scientific, not to say rational, manner.

Why States Failed

To begin with, the "failure" of American prohibition does not prove that principle of prohibition has failed or that that principle is not vitally connected with the ideal condition of human good health and social reconstruction. It merely proved that prohibition could not be successfully introduced in the States for special reasons which certainly did not exist here. Racketeering and gangsterdom on the American scale is a phenomenon that is easily explained by the position the various vested interests occupy in that country. It is both typical and symptomatic of business development in conformity with the background of administrative and party politics: and it can be said to be present, perhaps in a less pronounced manifestation, in every community where the capitalist organization is left a free hand. There is hardly a single American scene in which the group of interests do not employ the invariable technique from strike-breaking to electioneering.

Indian Domicile Of Alcohol

We have had a taste of it during the C. D. Movement when the liquor interests came in clash with the anti-liquor propaganda and one could predict recurrence of the experience if to-day conditions had not undergone a radical change. The challenge of established monopolies remains and will always remain; and it tests the moral stamina and strength of those who act in behalf of a better social order. As against, however, this aspect of the problem, there are various factors of our situation that favour the work of reform. Alcohol, in this country, does not occupy the same position that it does in the European countries. It is admittedly more a drug than a drink in a tropical country like ours and no responsible medical view could favour its retention or cultivation. Drug addiction of whatever kind is purely a pathological phenomenon and although it creates a complex problem in our approach towards the ideal of weaning the victim from its power, it is not difficult of solution.

Our Problem

In a country like ours alcohol plays a specially disastrous role in aggravating the truly scandalous situation of widespread malnutrition and a disproportionately high-percentage of ill-health and mortality. No medical man can therefore possibly defend alcoholism and he must, unless he lacked in professional integrity deplore its existence. It has, of course, to be admitted that adequate compensation must be forthcoming in the form of better social conditions with a proportionate higher and better standard of living especially amongst the strata of population that are driven to drink by the sheer animal misery of life. Undoubtedly the prohibitionists will have earned the moral right to ban alcohol as illegal when they corrected the suboptional diet that can be said to be responsible in a large measure for chronic ill-health and disease amongst the Indian population.

Man With Vision

Fortunately, we have had a Minister of Government who may be counted on to deal with the difficult problems of prohibition in the most effective manner and who is uniquely well equipped to handle them with the profound understanding and diagnostic therapeutic skill and experience that have distinguished his position in the practice of medicine. Difficult as the task undoubtedly is, its demands can easily be predicted to be not in a successful manner by one who would appear to have had a perfect grasp of the situation with all its complexities and complications whose gentleness and tact of bedside manner are combined with a firmness and courage typical of the "savant" of science and whose personal sacrifice in giving up a lucrative practice in favour of public service speaks so eloquently of his personality.

Future Of Public Health

Quite contrary to what has been suggested recently by the Secretary of the Labour Anti-Vaccination organisation we require for reorganisation in public health a man of his position who could through his understanding of the entire situation with reference to the vested interests of the medical profession, secure the co-operation of that profession and harness it to the achievement of a higher standard of public health. Apart from the recent history of public health in most civilised countries, the profession itself is undergoing a reorientation in the direction of what may be described as 'socialised' medicine. The position of modern preventive and industrial medicine too is distinctly encouraging although our own conditions in the organisation of socio-medical services are so depressing.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

ONLY A MEMORY.

Frank Kellogg outlined the famous Pact which is associated with his name. If he had died half a decade ago, his death would have been mourned as a loss to humanity. To-day he passes away in comparative obscurity. He thus shares the fate of his more illustrious countryman, Woodrow Wilson. Both were endowed with great gifts; both shared an identical idealism. The careers of both were equally successful and both found their matter in the pursuit of international peace. President Wilson was hailed as a saviour when he went to Europe to found the ill-fated League of Nation. The glory of Secretary of State Kellogg, when he succeeded in getting his famous Pact signed by the representatives of fifteen foremost nations of the world in August 1928, was only a little less. The Nobel Peace Prize was his the next year. A halo surrounded his name To-day nine years after, the Pact has long since become a scrap of paper. Frank Kellogg goes in his grave a broken man, leaving only a pious memory behind him.

CLOVE BOYCOTT.

The Colonial Secretary admitted in the House of Commons on Wednesday that the clove boycott in Zanzibar had resulted in a reduction of its exports and a fall in the revenue derived from the export duty. But he took it on himself to say at the same time that it was not possible for the Resident to initiate further representations to the Indian community to get the matter settled However, he seemed to invite fresh negotiation when he added: "It is much more for the Indian community to put forward any further proposals." If the boycott is vigorously kept up, it cannot be long before fresh negotiations are opened. Meanwhile it should be noted that the Europeans in Zanzibar are making strenuous efforts to break the boycott. The local Indian Association cables that a European Agent there has just shipped 150 bales of cloves to Madras. The Madras Provincial Congress Committee should take up the matter seriously.

A DISCONCERTING REPORT.

It is somewhat disconcerting news that the Madras Government have given notice to several local bodies in the Presidency for the closure of over a hundred high schools. It is not yet clear whether these schools will be taken over by private societies desiring to promote education as a public service. There is little chance of the Government taking over all or most of the schools. The news of their abolition is particularly disconcerting because there is every possibility of the Madras example being followed by other Congress Governments. It is obvious that these Governments will have a somewhat uniform educational policy and will concentrate their resources mainly on primary education. But it will not do to under-rate the importance of secondary education, which gives the State its vast number of educated citizens and also furnishes the army of teachers for primary education. We would urge all Congress Governments in general and the Bombay Government in particular to announce their policy with regard to secondary education Before taking any drastic action, such as is reported from Madras.

A CAPITALIST WAIL.

The "considerable Apprehension" to which Sir H. P. Mody gave expression in his speech at the annual general meeting of the Employers' Federation of India will cause no surprise in the public mind. The efforts of the various Congress ministries to give a square deal to labour have naturally upset Sir Homi and his capitalist colleagues It seems as if the President of the Employers' Federation fears that labour legislation lies within the sphere of the provincial governments, thus making it amenable to the popular will. While he does not forget to pay lip sympathy to "those who are producing the goods we sell" he pleads for a evolutionary process (whatever it may mean), and insists "on certain well-defined limitations to our capacity to pay." Those limitations however cannot be determined at the sweet will of the capitalists themselves and Sir Homi cannot be unmindful of the social considerations involved in the whole issue. The suggestion to set up an All-India Industrial Council for the purpose of co-ordinating labour legislation in the different provinces deserves to be explored further, without necessarily curtailing the powers enjoyed at present by the provinces.

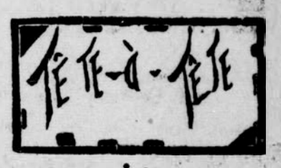
Balanced Diet

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Recently attempts have been made to explain to the public the benefits of a balanced diet and the ill effects of malnutrition. The Government of India health bulletin No. 23, has some very useful information on the subject, including statements of food values of some well-known common articles of diet The Bombay Municipality is considering the advisability of supplying milk free of charge to the school children. Some of the private and charity schools supply free lunches to the students. But all these lack variety and most are unbalanced from the nutrition point of view. Will the various Government departments, and public and private parties interested in balanced diet, publish menus for a week or a month, for the information of the public. The menus to be separate for vegetarians and non-vegetarians, to consist of articles commonly sold in the bazaar and available in the villages, to be varied so as not to pall on the sophisticated palate of the city dweller, and to be cheap enough to be availed of by the ordinary lower middle class

Such menus, prepared and offered to the public by our various tea and lunch shops, and adopted by the various institutions for the children and youth, would soon be taken up by the housewives to the advantage not only of the present, but also of the rising generation.—Yours etc.

R. N. R.



"No one in India to-day will refuse to respond to the appeal which His Excellency the Viceroy has made..... There is every justification in the way in which the scheme of provincial autonomy has been unfolding itself in actual practice for the optimism which inspires Lord Linlithgow's faith in the efficacy of the great and unique experiment in democratization which the Government of India Act of 1935 has initiated."

—Lahore Anglo-Indian paper.

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"An optimist is an incorrigible fool who would buy from a Jew and sell it to a Scott and yet hope to make a profit out of it."

—DEAN INGE.

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A Japanese communique states that "Japanese soldiers are well-disposed towards foreigners, especially the Americans."

Aren't Chinese foreigners, too?

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"Mr. Abdul Waheed Bokainagari, who was also at the meeting, rose in protest whereupon Mr. Fazlul Huq is reported to have said that Mr. Bokainagari should be turned out from the meeting. Immediately some one from the meeting jumped upon Mr. Bokainagari with a lathi and struck him on the head, causing serious injuries. Mr. Bokainagari was bleeding profusely."

—Report of a meeting addressed by the Bengal Premier.

Mr. Huq, we believe, would plead that his lathi-wielding follower took his words too literally!

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VALUE OF MODERN EDUCATION

—Headline.

Unemployment?

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"I have never," says an old woman, "talked about my age because I have not wanted to be thought of in terms of years. I have tried to keep my mind young, my body healthy, my person neatly clothed; in other words, to keep pace with the passing of time without letting it age me."

Women, notorious for their sensibility about age, would shout "Hurrah" to applaud this argument. But it strikes both ways. Wouldn't it lay young women always under the suspicion that they are really older than they look?

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This reminds us of the case of the unfortunate young man who, in perfect good faith, remarked to a lady, "You look much younger than you are." The lady registered indignation. At which the courteous young man corrected himself. "I beg your pardon. I mean, you are really younger than you look." This time the lady was equally furious.

Problem: What should the young man have said? (Don't send us the solutions. Keep it to yourself for future guidance in moments of similar crisis).

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PUNTER'S POCKETS PICKED AT RACE-COURSE.

—Headline.

Isn't that a libel on the Turf Club?

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A "magic man" is said to have arrived in city who can chew and digest such delicacies as bits of glass.

And yet, we bet, he will not find it as easy to digest the food supplied in certain local restaurants and swallow some of the stories served by some local scribes!

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS.

(1) Mr. M. A. Jinnah has sent a telegram of congratulations to his Bengal lieutenant, Mr. A. K. Fazlul Haq, on the new technique that the latter has developed of disposing of Congress Muslims.

(2) Lord Lothian regards Premier Khare's Poona speech as an unfair attack calculated to upset the apple-cart of his "private" mission.

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"He said he would lay the earth at my feet," said the sentimental girl.

"Yes," answered Miss Gadabout, "it sounds good, but it is not practical. You already have the earth at your feet. What you want is a three or four-storey house over your head!"

War Will Strengthen British Position

Strategic Security Of Commonwealth Steadily Increasing, Says Lothian

ALLAHABAD: December 23.

In the course of an interview to the Press, Lord Lothian replying to a question whether the position of British Commonwealth was secure said, "If there were another world war, nobody could foretell its outcome. It would certainly leave a very different world from the present.

"In the end the position of Great Britain and United States might be strengthened. But to-day Great Britain is concentrating on her alliance with France and holding strategic points in Gibraltar, Suez Canal, Cape Town and Singapore, which are vital to the security of the British Commonwealth.

"United States on the other hand is increasing her strength in the Pacific. While the power of Great Britain to intervene in other parts of the world is lessening, I think essentially strategic security of British Commonwealth is increasing."

Lord Lothian thinks that the fundamental reason for deterioration in the international situation has been rearmament. Regarding the probability of a general war in Europe, Germany is developing such military strength that she is likely to become a predominent influence in Eastern Europe upto the Russian border. The solution of Mediterranean has still to be found.

SEVEN POWERS.

But once the various spheres of influence of seven major Powers, namely, the United States, Japan, Russia, Germany, Italy, France and the British Commonwealth have become defined, the world may settle down to peace. The period of adjustment, however, would be full of danger.

Lord Lothian did not think personally that a war was an immediate probability. He said: "Every military general staff in the world is afraid of war. No nation can win such war and prolonged general war spells ruin to everybody. On the other hand, I think, it is inevitable that there should be adjustment in spheres of influence.

"The period of adjustment, however, is full of danger. Because a fool or a knave or an accident may cause a crisis, which even the seven Powers, which do not want war, may find it difficult to control."—United Press.

DUABO VILLAGERS' GRIEVANCES

Hyderabad C. C.'s Efforts To Redress Them

The Secretary, Hyderabad Congress Committee writes:—

Hyderabad Congress Committee has taken in hand the work of redressing grievances of poor peasants and petty landholders residing Duabo Villages in the vicinity of Hyderabad. Local Congress Committee has appointed Mr. Mohamed Saleh who along with Vadero Paryal of Mitho Panvhar has been going about the Duabo Villages and investigating into their grievances.

The chief grievance of the Duabo Villagers is that they got no water from the Wadhoo canal. Hence the lands generally lie uncultivated and barren Despite the fact that these villagers have got lands of their own, they generally cannot cultivate them and have to fall back upon other vocations in life which do not give them enough to live.

Three meetings have been held in Mitho Panvhar, Ahmed Umar and Dhumra on 8th, 10th and 12th December 1937 respectively where people expressed all the grievances that they have been suffering from for the past so many years. Another big meeting was held in Mitho Panvhar on 15th December 1937 under the Presidentship of Dr. Chimandas Issardas, President Hyderabad Committee when various resolutions inviting the attention of the Engineering and Public Works Departments and the Hyderabad Municipality to their grievances were passd.

The Duabo Villagers Association consisting of Duabo peasants has been formed, which together with the local Congress Committee will be working for the welfare of these masses.

Ratnagiri Port Committee

RATNAGIRI, Dec. 22.

The Associated Press understands that the Port Committee with its headquarters in Bombay which has been appointed by the Bombay Government is to function for four months only from the date of its coming in force.

The Committee has been provided, it is understood, with some staff.

Consul-General For Egypt In India

BOMBAY, Thursday.

H. E. Mohamed Sadek Abu Khadra Bey, Consul-General for Egypt in India and Mr. Mohamed Zaki Kenawi, the Vice-Consul, have arrived in Bombay They are at present staying at the Taj Mahal Hotel.

Manu Subedar Returned To Bombay Assembly

"Mr. Manu Subedar has been unanimously returned as the representative of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, on the Indian Legislative Assembly, in the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Mathuradas Vissanji.

SAFE BUS DRIVERS

Blessings Of St. Christopher

"You must realise that St. Christopher is the Patron Saint of ALL travellers and, to deserve his protection, your bounden duty is to assist in safeguarding all those who use your vehicles. You should, therefore, make it your aim firstly to maintain the vehicles in your charge in safe condition, and secondly to drive those vehicles in the proper manner as set out in the Indian Highway Code and with due consideration for all other users of the road." With these wise words, Mr. A. S. Trollip, Chairman of the Bombay Provincial Branch of The Safety first Association of India, unveiled the statue of St. Christopher at the Best Omnibus Garage, Bombay, on Thursday, before the Maintenance and Operating Staff of the B. E. S. T. Omnibus Department.

His Grace Archbishop of Bombay, who was specially invited for the occasion blessed the status and paid a tribute to the remarkable work that is being done by the Safety First Association of India in making the home, the workshop and the road safer and pleasanter.

On behalf of the BEST Organisation, Sir Stanley Reed proposed a hearty vote of thanks to His Grace.

In Honour Of Maharaja Of Dewas (Senior)

INDORE, Dec. 23.

News was received yesterday of the death of His Highness the Maharaja of Dewas (Senior) at Pondicherry. Immediately State Offices at both Dewas Senior and Junior were closed and the flag flew at halfmast at Indore to-day. Indore Offices were also closed.

It will be recalled that the late Highness of Dewas Senior left his State several years ago on a pilgrimage and then remained at Pondicherry while the British Government appointed an administrative council at Dewas with the Yuvraj as President for carrying on the administration during his absence.—A. P.

Telephone Calls Overseas

BOMBAY, Dec. 23.

India's increasing habit of using the trunk telephones is demonstrated by the rush to take advantage of the special Christmas and New Year concession rates for overseas calls. It is now announced that calls may be booked for the Irish Free State, the Continent of Europe as well as the United Kingdom.

Science Congress Delegate Meets With Accident

BOMBAY, Dec. 23.

According to information received here Dr. W. W. Vaughan M.V.O. D. Litt. formerly headmaster of the Rugby School, and delegate to the Indian Science Congress to be held at Calcutta met with an accident at Agra to-day and sustained a broken leg. He has been detained for treatment at the Thompson Hospital.

Relief For Educated Unemployed

Central Govt.'s Scheme For All Provinces Will Be Shortly Announced

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, Dec. 23.

Definite action which is intended to relieve educated unemployment is expected to be shortly announced by the Government of India.

According to the reports here provincial Governments may soon be addressed on the subject of regulating recruitment to Government service so that, it may be possible to have a co-ordinated policy throughout the country. The present position is a fairly large proportion of students entering university classes entertain hopes of joining Government service and when disappointed find themselves left adrift and as it is too late for them to train themselves for avocations, they swell the ranks of graduates who are unemployed. Under the proposed scheme which is expected soon to reach provincial Governments for their views, there will be a separate qualifying examination for Government service at a fairly early age immediately after school course and before entrance to university. This examination will have specially in view qualities necessary for Government service such as personality, physique, so on. Success in this examination does not necessarily mean that the candidate will be entitled to Government service but it will eliminate all those who have no chance of employment in Government service.

The advantage of this scheme is that those who are unable to pass this examination can enter university or go elsewhere leaving aside all thoughts of Government service and train themselves for other professions. As only those who pass this qualifying examination will be considered for Government service. It is expected to limit the number of graduates who are seeking to enter Government service and divert others at an early age to other walks of life. As provincial Governments have to be consulted, it may take sometime before the final scheme is ready.

LIGHTNING STRIKE AND ITS SEQUEL

Cawnpore Victoria Mills Suspend Work

CAWNPORE, Dec. 23.

The management of the Victoria Mills in which about 5,000 workmen are employed, suspended work to-day as a sequel to a lightning strike resorted to by the workers of one department on the alleged grievance that a 'mistri' assaulted a clerk.—A.P.

S. O.S. TO JAWAHAR

Alleged Irregularities In Punjab Congress Elections

LAHORE, Dec. 22.

To acquaint Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Congress President with the attitude taken and the reported irregularities committed by the Punjab P. C. C. Executive regarding the election of Congress delegates an exhaustive representation containing detailed facts is being prepared

A special messenger is going to Allahabad to-day to meet Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru who is being requested to stay the present elections, institute an enquiry and have the election arrangements made afresh.—United Press.

THIS FACT WAS IN FICTION!

Detective fiction is the relaxation of Constable McGrath, Montreal Police Force, and he has found it useful. It happened this way:

His favourite detective magazine contained a photograph and finger-prints of Frank Figliolla, aged twenty-four, wanted in New York for the "silk-stocking murder" of an eighteen-year-old girl.

McGrath reflected that the photograph bore a strong resemblance to a waiter who had served him a few days previous at a restaurant.

He communicated his suspicions to Detective-Inspector Brodeur, who sent two detectives to the restaurant.

They were just in time. Their suspect had already given notice and was about to quit Montreal.

He was arrested and ordered to be extradited to the United States.

PROTECTION TO INDIAN RICE

Conference Lines Assurance To Merchants' Association

BOMBAY, Dec. 23.

The Committee of the Bombay Rice Merchants' Association interviewed the Conference Lines viz., The British India Steam Navigation Co. Ltd., The Asiatic Steam Navigation Company Ltd., and the Scindia Steam Navigation Co. Ltd., to-day regarding the settlement of outstanding questions.

The Association wanted to know how the Conference would give protection to the rice merchants in case there was opposition from companies like Bombay Steam Navigation company Ltd.

The Conference assured the Association that fullest possible protection would be given by them against any opposition as was given to the Rice Trade when the Japanese tonnage intruded in the Burma Trade or when the Asiatic company opposed the Conference Lines by reducing the rates.

The rice Merchants were very much satisfied with the assurance of the Conference Lines and promised to confine their shipments to the Conference vessels even if the Bombay Steam Navigation Company attacked the Conference Lines.—United Press.

SHAHIDGUNJ SATYAGRAHA

Three 'Blue Shirt' Processionists Arrested

LAHORE, Dec. 23.

In response to the challenge issued by the 'Majlis-i-Ahrar' inviting the 'Ittihad-i-Millat' to join them in the fresh agitation for the restoration of the Shahidgunj Mosque which was started by the Majlis on Friday, last, the General Secretary and two prominent workers of the 'Ittihad-i-Millat' marched in procession to the Shahidgunj Mosque to say their prayers there and were arrested.

Earlier, a meeting was held at the Golden Mosque, which was addressed by several leaders of the 'Ittihad-i-Millat.' Mr. Khudabaksh, General Secretary of the 'Ittihad-i-Millat' and the Editor of the Daily Zamindar addressing the meeting condemned the action of the 'Majlis-i-Ahrar' in starting civil resistance. He, however, announced that he would accept the challenge of the 'Majlis-i-Ahrar' and would court arrest in his individual capacity. Two other workers also joined him.

All the three wearing "Blue Shirts" marched in procession to the site of the demolished Shahidgunj Mosque followed by a large crowd of Muslims. When they reached the chowk of the city 'Kotwali' they were stopped by a police force led by the Senior Superintendent of Police and were arrested under Section 151-107 Cr. P.C. (Apprehension of Breach of Peace.)

A police force was posted in the vicinity of Shahidgunj. The arrested persons were taken in a police van to the Central Jail.—A.P.

TAKE PLACE OF OLD IN NATION'S BATTLE

C. R.'s Advice To Students

(From Our Correspondent).

BANGALORE CITY, Dec. 23.

The Hon. Mr. C. Rajagopalacnariar arrived here this morning to preside over the Central College Day. He was received at the Railway Station by Sir Mirza Ismail, Mysore Dewan and Prominent officials Non-Officials Mr. Subbarama Chetty, Mayor, Bangalore City Municipality garlanded him. He motored to Kumara Park, official residence for State guests with the Dewan.

After some rest he visited the Intermediate College and addressed the students there. In course of his speech exhorted his youthful audience to be prepared always to sacrifice their all for their country's cause. He appealed to those who finished their studies to come forward in the battle of the country's freedom In case, the elders hesitated Mr. Rajagopalachariar exhorted the youth to take the elders' place and go ahead as the youths of to-day were citizens of to-morrow.

Speaking to students about politics, Mr. Rajagopalachariar stressed the need for a policy of patience and perseverance on their part The premier deprecated the tendency of students entering the arena of politics and enjoined them to preserve their character, commonsense and wisdom He also advised them to maintain restraint and discipline which were virtues which would serve them later.

Jawaharlal & Lothian

Talks Resumed At Anand Bhavan

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 23.

Lord Lothian, for the second time, drove to Anand Bhavan and was closetted with Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, for some time.

It is presumed, that his second visit to Pandit Nehru is the natural sequence to his preceding consultations with prominent Liberal leaders, who are at present here, including, among others, Rt. Hon. Mr. V. S. Sreenivasa Sastri, Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, Mr. C. Y. Chintamani, Pandit Hirdyanath Kunzru, Mr. P. N. Sapru.

Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, who is still here is staying at Anand Bhavan, did not join discussions and the meeting was confined to Lord Lothian and Pt. Nehru.—United Press.

FORT NIGHT HIGH SCHOOL

Hon. Mr. Morarji's Visit

The Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher, the Prime Minister, was to have visited the Bombay Fort Free Night High School on Wednesday the 22nd instant at 8 a.m., but as he was indisposed the Hon. Mr. Morarji Desai, Revenue Minister, kept the appointment on his behalf.

The Hon. Minister was received by Mr. Mathuradas Canji Matani, Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Dr. Poonsey H. Meisheri, Mr. B. P. Koolurker and members of the staff.

The Hon. Minister was taken round the classes by the Principal. He put some questions to the students about the nature of their work during day time and was particularly impressed with the young children of the lower standards.

The Honorary Secretary and Principal then read a memorial on behalf of the management which 'inter alia' stated that the school was started in 1918, when there were no free night schools in Bombay particularly for the Karnataki residents of Bombay. The school which was only a primary school soon grew into a lower secondary school and was able to evoke the sympathy of the Municipality which recognised it for grants in 1919.

The Trustees of the Kabibai Hindu high school were kind enough to allow them the use of their school building free of rent and so they shifted to its present premises at Holi Chakla Street, from the Municipal building, in 1932.

RECOGNISED BY UNIVERSITY.

The management encouraged by the impetus given by the Trustees of the Kabibai Hindu high school decided in 1933, to make an experiment of making it a high school by raising the standards gradually, which proved to be successful. As such it is to-day a full-fledged High School.

The school was recognised by the Government in 1934 and this year it has been recognised by the University of Bombay for sending its students for the Matriculation examination.

In 1933 Mr. M C. Matani, Mr. L. R. Tairsee and Dr. P. H. Meisheri became the Trustees of the school, and since then they have been making efforts to collect funds from the philanthropic public to run the school.

The Hon. Mr. K. M. Munshi, Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Seth Mulji Ranchhoddas, Seth Mathuradas Vissonji and Sir Ishwardas Lukhmidas are the Hon. Patrons.

REQUEST TO PREMIER.

The yearly expenditure of the school is about Rs. 4,000 while its permanent income, including the grants from the Government and the Municipality is only Rs. 1,000 The management in its memorial prays the Prime Minister to support the school by giving grants which would be substantial enough to carry out its object of giving free education to all irrespective of caste or creed and provincialism. It also prays that the school be placed in the list of permanent Secondary Schools.

The present strength of the school is 185 students with 17 honorary teachers.

The Hon. Mr. Morarji Desai was very much impressed by the work being done by the band of selfless workers who have undertaken this task at great personal inconveniences to them. He said that the school deserved support from the public. He promised to convey to the Prime Minister the desires expressed in the memorial. He wished that there were schools of this kind in every locality.

Mr. Matani thanked the Hon. Minister for kindly consenting to be present on behalf of the Prime Minister. With light refreshment the function ended.

U. S. Navy Prepares For Coming Fray

Deficiencies Will Have To Be Made Up Before America Enters War

WASHINGTON, December 22.

As regards continued reports in newspapers of a naval display, it is reliably learned that the navy at present is confining itself to the desire to get the fleet in proper condition to meet whatever calls might be made upon it in future.

Naval leaders state that the fleet at present is about 85 per cent. manned and many hulls need scraping before they could make a lengthy cruise; also there is a scarcity of fuel ships and supply ships which must be remedied before action, such as speculated in by newspapers, could be undertaken.—Reuter.

"PANAY" WAS NOT INTENTIONALLY MACHINEGUNNED

TOKIO, Dec. 22

The "Panay" was not intentionally machinegunned by Japanese army motorboats before sinking, declares an interim report issued by the Foreign Office and prepared by military authorities.

It says hitherto it has been established that Japanese soldiers visited the "Panay" for a brief period with friendly intentions but no evidence has been discovered to show that the ship was a target of intentional shooting though there might have been ricochet shots in the direction of the "Panay" when a small steamer carrying a few Chinese troops was machinegunned by Japanese troops.

The Japanese troops cared for the wounded. Two Japanese soldiers were killed and three wounded by bombs. A Japanese officer and a soldier boarded the sinking ship which afterwards was found to be the "Panay" but found nobody aboard. Investigation is continuing.

The report concludes it is impossible for a Japanese force ever to knowingly attack an American ship. Japanese soldiers are well disposed towards foreigners especially Americans.—Reuter.

"STAR OF ASIA"

New Restaurant Opened By Hon. Mr. Nurie

In declaring open the Star of Asia Restaurant, at Gunbow Street, Fort, Bombay, on Thursday evening, the Hon. Mr. Mohomed Yasin Nurie, Minister for Public Works, remarked that restaurants and eating-houses were gaining more and more importance in metropolitan cities.

They were not eating-houses, alone he observed, but they also served as social clubs. Clean and healthy food neatly served would attract many customers and would always be appreciated by the public. He hoped that Syed Altaf Hussein would maintain a high standard in those respects.

Mr. Nurie referred to the vast preferences Indian dishes received even at the hands of the Westerners and wished proprietors all success in the endeavour to popularise Indian dishes.

Mr. Abdul Hamid Khan Bubere requested the Hon. Minister formally to declare open the Star of Asia Restaurant and Mr. Ali Bahadur Khan in a short speech said that in a way these restaurants helped in spreading sentiments of national solidarity. Frank discussions on social and political matters of the day were mostly held over a cup of tea in those restaurants.

The guests — a cosmopolitan gathering — were treated refreshments after the restaurant was declared open.

ADDRESS TO PANT AND KIDWAI

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 23.

Some Zemindars and Muslims of Chail Allahabad District presented address to Premier Pant and Revenue Minister Rafi-Ahmad Kidwai. Among those present were Jawaharlal Nehru, Hafiz Ibrahim, Minister of Irrigation, Vijaylakshmi Pandit Minister of Self-Government. Lord Lothian Mrs. Naidu and a number of Congress M.L.A.'s and other prominent citizens of Allahabad.

Premier Pant replying to address said Congress ministers were people's servants and derived their strength through the strength of the people.—A.P

Delhi Congress Elections Postponed

NEW DELHI, Dec. 23.

Following reports of rowdyism during the scrutiny of nominations held yesterday in the Congress office and with a view to avoiding recurrence of similar incidents during the actual polling, the election of delegates to the Haripura Session of the Congress has been postponed.

Further dates of the election will be notified after consultation with the A.I.C.C.—A.P.

Karachi To Honour Munshi

KARACHI, Dec. 23.

Mr. K. M. Munshi, President-elect of the Gujarati Literary Conference, will receive an address from the Municipal Corporation on December 30 at Khalikdhina Hall.

CHHOTA GAMA ACCEPTS CHALLENGE

With reference to Sardar Syam Singh's challenge to Gama, Chhota Gama is prepared to accept the challenge to meet him.

REDUCE ROAD EXPENDITURE

Roosevelt's Suggestion To Chairman Of House And Roads Committee

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.

President Roosevelt in a letter to Mr. Wilburn Cartwright, the Chairman of the House and Roads Committee, reaffirmed his intention to cut federal spending and asserted that the Congress and the Democratic majority "must accept full responsibility" if the President's budget estimates were exceeded

The letter re-endorsed the reduction in road expenditures as a means in helping to balance the budget.—Reuter

OLDAGE PENSION TO GERMAN WORKERS

New Insurance Law To Improve Labour Condition

BERLIN, Dec. 22.

It is claimed that the position of German labour will be improved by 40 millions sterling annually by a new insurance law announced to-night guaranteeing oldage pensions to all German workmen, strengthening compulsory insurance and inter alia increasing miners wages by six percent involving an additional burden of two millions sterling on the mine owners.—Reuter.

C. D. CONVICTS AND PUBLIC SERVICE

No Bar To Appointments, Says Madras Govt. Press Note

MADRAS, Dec. 23.

The Ministry for Public Information have issued the following Press Note to-day:—

"Government of Madras have directed that no conviction for any offence committed in furtherance of non-co-operation or civil disobedience movement, shall, hereafter constitute a bar to appointments in public service."—United Press

KING WILL OPEN EMPIRE EXHIBITION

LONDON, Dec. 23.

The King has agreed to open the Empire Exhibition at Glasgow on May 3.

The Prime Ministers of Canada, Australia, South Africa, New Zealand and Southern Rhodesia have accepted invitations to become honorary presidents of the Exhibition to which 12 million visitors are expected between May and October.

The cost of the Exhibition is estimated to reach ten millions sterling.—Reuter.

New President Of Bombay Chamber

BOMBAY, Dec. 23.

Mr. A. McIntosh of Messrs. Greaves Cotton and Company has been elected President of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce for the year 1938-39

IRAQ AND JAPAN

It is understood that a Japanese Economic Mission will arrive in Baghdad shortly with a view to arrive at an understanding between Iraq and Japan in respect of an Economic Pact between them.

Question Of Prayers In Madras Assembly

Speaker Confers With Party Leaders And Ministers

MADRAS: December 22.

The conference of representatives of various Parties in the Madras Legislature, convened by the Speaker, to consider the question relating to the singing of "Vande Mataram" and the introduction of a suitable form of prayer in the Legislature, met to-day and sat till 5 p. m.

Eighteen members, including the Speaker, attended the conference, which discussed a number of suggestions with a view to aiming at a unanimous decision.

There was complete desire on the part of every one to meet the other's point of view. The conference is expected to arrive at a unanimous decision on January 28, 1938, when it meets again.

The Legislative Assembly meets on January 29.—A. P.

BOYCOTT OF ZANZIBAR CLOVES

Mr. Satyamurti's Appeal To Madras Merchants

MADRAS: Dec. 23.

Mr. S. Satyamurti received a telegram from the Zanzibar Indian Association stating that ignoring the Congress embargo, a local European agent shipped yesterday 150 bales of cloves for Madras.

Mr. Satyamurti appeals to the Indian and European merchants of Madras, Calicut and Cannanore not to handle the cargo, saying: "We must not betray the interests of Indians in Zanzibar."

He is addressing the chambers of Commerce of Madras, Calicut and Cannanore on the subject and also writing to the Government of Madras to do their best in the matter.

The Zanzibar Indian Association's telegram has also been sent to Premier Rajagopalachari.—A P

12 ACCUSED SENT TO JAIL

Judgment In Jubbulpore Communal Riot Case

JUBBULPORE: Dec. 22.

Mr. J. D. Kerawala, Additional District Magistrate, delivered judgment yesterday in the Jubbulpore communal riot cases wherein 52 persons, 20 Hindus and 32 Muslims, were prosecuted in 16 batches.

Twelve accused were sentenced to rigorous imprisonment ranging from four months to one year and fines ranging from Rs. 15 to Rs. 25, in default two months rigorous imprisonment under various sections of the Indian Penal Code. Three were committed to Sessions on charge of murder. One was bound over for keeping the peace. The remaining 36 persons were acquitted.

Mr. B. N. Mehta, Police Prosecutor, conducted the cases.

All the convicted persons were bailed out by the Additional Sessions Judge, pending the filing of appeals.—United Press.

22 PERSONS TO BE RELEASED

Echo Of Poona Communal Riots

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes:—

The Government of Bombay have noted with satisfaction the harmonious relations now existing between the Hindus and Mahomedans of Poona City, following the settlement of the dispute regarding the playing of music at the Sonya Maruti Temple and have, therefore, decided to release forthwith twenty-two persons who are now serving sentences of imprisonment in connection with offences committed during the communal riots of April 1936.

MISERABLE PLIGHT OF DOHAD BHILS

DOHAD, (By Mail).

Mr. Maganlal Gopaldas Shet, Mr. Kamalashanker Pandya, Mr. Ramlal Sheth, Mr. Chhotalal Desai and Mr. Navalkishore Parikh, members of the Gujarat Provincial Congress Committee from Dohad and Jhalod have sent a S. O. S. to the Revenue Minister requesting him not to collect revenues of 1936-37 famine year.

The plight of the Bhils subsequent to repeated famines has become so acute that they are quite unable to pay the revenues.

Black-out Test In Calcutta

CALCUTTA, Dec. 23.

Following the examples of the Karachi and Bombay, Calcutta also is going to have a 'black out' experiment, early in January next.

It is understood that the suggestion which is engaging the attention of local authorities is, to have all the lights in Calcutta put out at a certain fixed hour when aeroplanes will hover over the city taking photographs of 'black' Calcutta to find out any vulnerable spot in the town.—United Press.

GIRGAUM CONGRESS SECRETARIES SUSPENDED

Council Deplores Mr. Patil's "Obstructive Tactics"

The adjourned meeting of the 11th instant of the Managing Council of the G. D. C. C. was held on Thursday in the Committee's Office. 18 members of the Council were present and Smt. Perinben Captain presided.

The Council considered the Report of the Enquiry Committee and certain findings of the Report were adopted.

MR. MAHALE SUSPENDED.

The Council passed resolutions suspending Mr. J. N. Mahale from the Office of Secretary and Mr. R. M. Desai from the office of Joint Secretary.

By another resolution the Council vested all powers of the Secretaries in the President Mrs. Perinben Captain and authorised her to call another meeting to consider the explanations of Messrs. J. N. Mahale, R. M. Desai and to take necessary action in the matter.

MR. PATIL'S CONDUCT REGRETTED.

Finally the Council unanimously adopted the following resolutions:—

"This Council deeply deplores and resents the obstructive tactics adopted by Mr. S. K. Patil, General Secretary of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, towards both the Enquiry Committee and this Council in connection with the Enquiry ordered by this Council by its resolution of the 11th instant and resolves that this resolution be forwarded to the President of the B. P. C. C. along with a copy of the Report of the Enquiry Committee and he be requested to instruct the General Secretary to furnish this Council at the earliest convenience with the copies of the papers referred in the letters addressed to him by the Secretaries of this Council and the Chairman of the Enquiry Committee.

This Council further resolves that the President of the G. D. C. C. be requested to forward a copy of this resolution to the President of the Indian National Congress.

The above resolutions with some other resolutions were unanimously passed.

RELEASED DETENUS PROBLEM

CALCUTTA, Dec. 23.

"The United Press" reliably learns that the Bengal Government has convened a conference of representatives of commercial organizations in Calcutta early in January next for discussing the question of providing the released detenus with suitable employment.

While intimating their wholehearted co-operation with Government in their efforts in this direction, it is gathered, that most of the commercial organizations who have been invited to the proposed conference, have hinted that with the existing heavy pressure on the employment mart, it may not be possible for them to bear at once the burden of a further batch of 1,100 released detenus upon it.

Satisfactory solution, in their opinion, would appear to lie in the establishment and expansion of new industries and in taking in hand the schemes of mass amelioration such as Compulsory Primary Education, measures for the improvement of rural health and hygiene.—United Press.

TWO FRONTIER ELECTIONS SET ASIDE

Opposition Strength Dwindles By Four More Seats

PESHAWAR, Dec. 23.

Accepting the election petitions of Mr. Kamdar Khan and the Hon'ble Qazi Ataullah Khan, Education Minister challenging the election of Mian Ziauddin and Mr. Azizullah Khan from the Razzar Mohamedan Rural and Amazai Mohamedan Rural constituencies respectively, the Frontier Election Tribunal to-day set aside these elections. Mian Ziauddin and Mr. Azizullah Khan, the unseated members belong to the late Sir Abdul Qaiyum's United Muslim Party.

It may be recalled that the petitioners' nomination papers were rejected by the Returning Officers on the grond that their having been bound down under section 40 of the Frontier Crimes Regulation amounted to a conviction debarring them from standing as candidates to the Assembly.

The Hon'ble Wazi Ataullahkhan, Education Minister, had filed his nomination papers also from another constituency and was duly elected from there.

These two seats are regarded by the Congress Party as their pocket boroughs and consequently Congress circles are jubilant over today's decisions. The opposition strength has been dwindled now by four seats, for which by-elections will take place before the February Session of the Assembly, the other two seats being those rendered vacant by the death of Sir Abdul Qaiyum and Rai Bahadur Rochiram.

Out of seven election petitions six have been so far disposed of.—A.P.

LUCKNOW DELEGATES TO HARIPURA

LUCKNOW, Dec 20.

The following persons have been elected delegates for the Haripura Congress to represent the Lucknow City: Mr. Mohanlal Saxena (unopposed), Mr. C. B. Gupta (unopposed), Mr. Jogesh Chandra Chatterjee, Maulana Zafru-Ul-mulk, Mr. Pulin Behari Banerjee and Mr. Sri Krishna Varma.

BADAUN D. L. B CHAIRMAN.

The District Board, Badaun, has elected Chaudhari Badaun Singh, M. L. A., as its Chairman, in place of Rao Brij Bhushan Singh, who was removed by the Government.

MRS VERMA NOMINATED.

The Government of the United Provinces have niminated Mrs. Kamala Verma as a member of the District Board, Ghazipur, to represent the interest of women, vice Miss E. C. Browne, resigned. —A. P.

DELEGATES FOR HARIPURA

Six Returned Unopposed From Ratnagiri

RATNAGIRI, (By Mail.)
(From Our Correspondent.)

The following members have been declared elected as delegates to Haripura Congress from the various constituencies, there being either no contestants, or the contestants having withdrawn their candidatures:—

VENGURLA CITY:—Mr. M. K. Khanolkar.

MALWAN CITY:—Mr. S. S. Mahajan.

DEOGAD TALUKA:—Mr. B. R. Kane, M.L.A.

RATNAGIRI TALUKA:—Messrs. P. V. Karmalkar and J. B. Shetye.

RATNAGIRI and CHIPLUN URBAN: Mr. G. V. Patwardhan.

SANGAMESHWAR TALUKA: Mr D. G Pandit.

The elections to the other seats will be held on 24th inst for the Urban constituencies and on the 26th for the rural constituencies, between 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. on both days.

KARHADE BRAHMINS CONFERENCE.

Various resolutions were passed at the conference; notable among them being one for establishing an All-India Karhade Brahmin Association, and for raising a suitable memorial to Rani Laxmibai of Jhansi.

PLAAGUE IN VENGURLA.

A man of the Chambhar (Shoemaker) caste died being the victim of Plague, which is declared in Vengurla town by the authorities.

POSTMAN JAILED.

A postman at the Phonda Ghat Sub-Post office in Deogad Taluka named Mahadeo Bhikaji Parab was convicted and sentenced to three years' rigorous imprisonment by Mr Kaveshwar, on a charge of having misappropriated three money orders of Rs. 15, 20 and 30 respectively.

Hyderabad Letter

INCREASE IN GROUND-NUT ACREAGE

Inter-Provincial Cricket Tournament

(From Our Correspondent.)

HYDERABAD Dn. (By Mail)

Several condolence meetings were held at Hyderabad on the demise of Sir Jagdish Chandra Bose. The Young Men's Kayasth Association at a meeting held on the 10th instant passed a resolution expressing sorrow at the sudden demise of the great Indian scientist. The resolution was moved by Mr. G. C. Das Saxena.

Another meeting was held at the Hyderabad Brahmo Mandir under the presidency of Dr. Kameshwer Rao, Mr. Srikhande, in moving a condolence resolution recalled the services rendered by late Sir J. C. Bose to the scientific world and to humanity at large.

GROUND-NUT CROP.

The second memorandum on the cultivation of ground-nut crop in Hyderabad State, for the year 1937-1938 issued by the Statistics Department deals with the estimated areas and the present condition of the crop. On an average of five years ending 1934-1935, the area under ground-nut crop in the State represented 14.72 per cent. of the total area in India.

The area, according to the Statistics Department, is estimated at 1,159,992 acres, as against 772,936 acres during the corresponding period in the preceding year, showing an increase of 387,056 acres or 50.08 per cent. The increase is due Partly to sufficiency of rainfall for this crop at the sowing time and partly to more acreage having been brought under cultivation in view of the high price which this crop fetched last year.

INTER-PROVINCIAL TENNIS

An inter-provincial tournament is being organised in Hyderabad and the matches are to be played in the month of January next. The tournament is to be run by the Hyderabad Lawn Tennis Association, with the permission of the All-India Lawn Tennis Association. The new tennis stadium constructed at Mushirabad will be used for the matches to be played in connection with the tourney.

During the year ended 31st March 1937, 13,938 passengers were detected travelling without proper tickets over N. S. Railway as compared with 14,363 in the previous year.

Prosecutions numbered 185 and 114 were successful. Of the 71 unsuccessful prosecutions the amount involved was Rs. 194.

I. N. S. A. COUNCIL MEETS

Draft Pledge Considered

A meeting of the Council of the Indian National Scout Association was held on Wednesday, at Mr. Bhulabhai Desai's chambers to consider the report submitted by the delegates to the Allahabad Conference. It was resolved as follows:

That the Pledge of the Association will be "On my honour I shall do my best to do my duty to God and my Country,

To help other people at all times,

And to obey the Scout Law."

The following note was unanimously added to the above resolution:

"It is believed that with the word 'State' added to the above oath, the organisation of the whole of India, including the Indian States can be got together as one national unit; the Executive are therefore at liberty to place before the Council such offers for amalgamation on the above footing if so advised."

Whilst all the members were in favour of accepting the word 'State' for the sake of unity, Mr. Bhulabhai, Mr. M. C. Chagla and the rest were opposed to accept any other substitutive Pledge for any Province or Indian State. It was agreed that the word 'State' was comprehensive enough and the Indian States should find no objection to the same; but if they did object then the I.N.S.A. will have to most reluctantly remain separate from any Federation brought about on such a basis.

It was further resolved that "While the question of All India National Units is considered, we authorise the Executive to come to an agreement for amalgamation with the Seva Samiti on the basis of the constitution suggested by them at the Allahabad Conference, including the name and the oath, except the flag in which a change of the background colour to green or blue may be suggested.

The Council sent its felicitations to the All India Scout Mela which is to be held at Calcutta, and wished its every success.

No Income Tax Proposals

Views Of Provincial Governments

(From Our Correspondent).

NEW DELHI: Dec. 22.

I understand that opinions on the Income Tax Committee's Report have been received from practically all the Provincial Governments. The only Congress Ministry which has sent its views is stated to be the United Provinces. Behar, Bombay, Madras, and C.P. have also sent their views, but as they are dated earlier than the assumption of office by Congress, they were probably prepared by the Interim Ministries.

There is general opposition to the Committee's recommendation that an assessee should be required to make a return and that penalty should be imposed on him for not doing so. The U. P. Government characterizes it as drastic and says, no case has been made out.

The Bengal Government says, it postulates a degree of education and literacy which has not yet been reached in India. There is also a strong opposition to the recommendation that agricultural income of an assessee should be taken into account in fixing the amount of tax payable on his other income.

QUESTION OF REASSESSMENT.

The Madras Government has, however, supported the recommendation, though the Madras Board of Revenue and Madras High Court have opined against it. A large number of Provinces, including Bihar, Bengal and U.P. are against the proposal that for re-assessment the period under Section 34 should be extended to six years. According to the U. P. Government one year is quite adequate.

Bihar urges trading income obtained by a Local Body within the area administered by the Local Body should be exempt from taxation. It is also against the suggestion that corporation tax should be allowed as a deduction in computing profits of companies for income-tax.

TAXABLE PEOPLE ABROAD.

The Madras Government demands that the Central Government should press for amendment of Section 271 of the Government of India Act so as to authorise deduction of British Indian Income-tax from persons payable abroad out of funds derived from British India. U. P. favours postponement of the proposed establishment of All-India Tribunal till experience has been gained as to the disposal of appeals by the Newly appointed Assistant Commissioner.

Regarding aggregation of wife's income for the purpose of assessment the Bengal Government says it would be inadvisable to give effect to it, "because it is in serious conflict with the laws and customs of both Hindu and Mahomedans". The Bombay I. C. S. Association in its memorandum submits that the recommendation of the committee to tax leave salaries and allowances drawn by officers outside British India should not be accepted.

MADRAS FOREST COLLEGE TO BE ABOLISHED

MADRAS, Dec. 23.

A press note says that as the expenditure on the Madras Forest College, Coimbatore has been out of proportion to the receipts and benefits it confers on the Province, the Government has directed the College to be abolished with effect from 1-7-39 after students now under training have completed their course.—A.P.

FROM ACROSS THE SEAS

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the Minister of Agriculture, and an attendant.

Attendant: Ticket, sir?

Mr. Morrison: I am afraid I have lost it.

Attendant: What's your hat like, sir. One of them Anthony Eden hats?

Mr. Morrison: No, mine's got a silk lining.

* * *

They listened—in to Moscow on the radio—and so eight Germans have been sent to prison for high treason by Hamburg Superior Court.

The prosecution alleged that one of the accused took his receiving set from house to house so that people might have the opportunity of hearing Moscow.

This accused appears to have annoyed the Nazi court by stating that not only did the people listen to the Moscow broadcast, but also enjoyed it!

"TENDENCY TO MAKE CONGRESS A MINISTERIAL PARTY"

Masani Insists It Must Remain A Joint Front Of All Who Are Working For Independence

BOMBAY: Thursday.

"I do not want to be alarmist, but there is no gainsaying the fact that the cleavage between the Left and the Right wings in the Congress to-day is more marked than at any time since the Lucknow session of the Congress," declared Mr. M. R. Masani, Joint Secretary of the All-India Congress Socialist Party, interviewed by the "United Press" in connection with the important items that might come in for discussion at the meeting of the Party's Executive at Delhi on December 28.

Continuing Mr. Masani said that the meeting of the Socialist Executive was being held on the eve of the T. U. C. session and the Congress Working Committee meetings, so it would consider the Party's relation with both these organisations.

A BOMBAY INCIDENT.

There had been during the last few days, said Mr. Masani, two very clear indications of an unfortunate tendency to decry the Socialist Party. One was the manifesto of 21 Right-wing Congressmen on the eve of the election of delegates in Bombay, so reminiscent of that other anti-Socialist manifesto of 21 businessmen last year during Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru's visit. There could be no objection to anti-Socialist Congressmen stating their position and appealing to the Congress electorates for votes. What was highly significant and objectionable was the attempt to make out that they alone were "true Congressmen" and all others should be elbowed out of the Congress organisation.

POSITION IN BEHAR.

The other symptom of a drive against the Socialists in the Congress had been the resolution of the Executive of the Behar P. C. C. regarding Congressmen and Kisan Sabhas. Babu Rajendra Prasad had denied that this resolution placed a ban on Congressmen working in the Kisan Sabha. Formally speaking that was no doubt true. But there was a grave danger of the ban being imposed in a round-about way district by district. The P.C.C. resolution had approved of such a ban already imposed in three districts and was calculated to encourage other district Congress Committees to follow this example. Unless the Working Committee intervened in the matter and safeguarded the rights of Congress workers to participate in peasant organisations, the Congress Socialist Party whose members worked in the Congress and Kisan Sabhas would be faced with a difficult problem.

A MINISTERIAL PARTY.

"I cannot help feeling," added Mr. Masani, "that the inspiration for the offensive against the Congress Left-wing comes the unwillingness of Congress Ministers to face certain amount of criticism and their desire to have behind them a Congress organisation completely subservient and willing to act consistently as their apologists. What they seemed to want was a Ministerial Party and not a mass organisation.

"The Congress claims to represent the bulk of the Indian Nation and this tendency to make it a mere party must be strongly combated. The Congress must remain the joint front of all elements and classes which stood for the achievement of national independence. Any decisions the Executive of the Congress Socialist Party takes, I am sure, will be based on this supreme consideration and it will avoid any yielding to provocation."

Andheri Elections For Haripura Congress

Election of the Haripura Congress delegates from the Andheri, Malad, Kandivli and Borivli Dahisar Constituency will be held on Sunday the 26th inst. from 8 A.M.—11 A.M and 3 P.M.—6 P.M.

Polling stations will be as follows:—

(1) Andheri—Gazdar Hall Ghod Bunder Road.

(2) Jogeshwari—Patel's Chawl near Post Office.

(3) Malad—Manubhai Keshavji's compound.

(4) Kandivli—Harakchand Amulakh's Bungalow opp. Notified Area Committee's Office, Ghod Bunder Road.

(5) Borivli—Sports Club Ghod Bunder.

(6) Dahisar—Chitnis Bungalow Dahisar Village Road.

The following are the candidates contesting for this seat.

(1) Smt. Devijani Desai, (2) Sjt. Narmad Gajanan Vaidya, (3) Vishwanath S. Bapat.

This Strike Wave

Causes Behind Present Situation

(From Our Correspondent).

NEW DELHI, Dec. 23.

Information available indicates that last November had a sad record of witnessing the largest number of labour strikes in any one month during recent years. Though, Labour, except railway labour, is a provincial concern under the new constitution of the Government of India, the Labour Department has been closely and anxiously following the strike situation in various industrial centres.

It is believed that two main factors have contributed towards the sudden outbreak of labour disputes. Firstly, strikes believed to be due to labour reaction to Congress coming into power and their feeling that the time has come for them to press their long-standing demands. Secondly, there is a feeling that the standard of living among the workers having improved, a low rate of wages which became a necessary concomitant of the depression period does not fit in with a steady and gradual rise in commodity prices.

These factors apart from particular grievances have contributed to worsening the labour situation at several places. It is believed new legislation in respect of settlement and prevention of trade disputes which foreshadows the appointment of Conciliation Officers by the Provincial Governments may tend to ease the situation in future. The Bill, however, is in Select Committee stage and it may be expedited during the next Assembly Session.

TWO FACTIONS AMONG POONA STUDENTS

Request To Drop To-day's Conference

POONA, Dec. 23.

Differences among sections of students here have come to a head in connection with the holding of the Bombay Presidency Students' Conference. A petition signed by a majority of the 630 members headed by the General Secretary, Poona Students Federation has been forwarded to the General Secretary, All-India Students Federation, Lucknow requesting him to suspend the Bombay Presidency Students' Conference to be held to-morrow and not recognise the present executive. The petition declares want of confidence in the Executive and announces the formation of a new parallel organization of students which it claims represents Poona students.

The other section meanwhile are making arrangements to hold the conference beginning to-morrow. Syed Zaheer, the U. P. Socialist leader is presiding over this.—A. P.

DR. KHARE'S ADVICE TO POONA STUDENTS

POONA, Dec. 23.

Dr. Khare, the C. P. Premier, spent a busy day to-day visiting several educational and other institutions in the city. He also met local Congress workers and discussed with them several topical questions.

Among the institutions he visited were the "Gorakshan" office, the "Lokashakti" office and several schools and colleges.

Addressing students he exhorted them to go to the villages and take up the task of liquidating mass illiteracy. He presided at the annual prize distribution ceremony of the Maharashtra Education Society's High School. —A. P.

GASTRIC ULCER "NEARLY COST ME MY LIFE"

The hours and duties of a railway guard tend to make him liable to stomach trouble. Mr. Baylis, a Railway Guard, suffered from a gastric ulcer which, he says, "nearly cost me my life." He had X-rays, an operation, and was strictly dieted for months, yet still his pain returned, his appetite failed, his work almost got beyond him.

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If you have any difficulty in obtaining it from your local chemist or store, write to J. L. Morison, Son & Jones (India), Ltd., Standard Bldg., Hornby Road, Bombay.

Motoring & Aviation

Romance In The Air!

'Plane Stewardesses Receive Proposals Of Marriage

After the successful trial flight of the German trans-oceanic air-liners, "Nordmeer" and "Nord-wind" plans for a new type of air-liner, built for long-distance flights, are in readiness. The new giant express air-liner, "Der grosse Dessauer" was demonstrated to a number of experts in September, and is the product of work which has profited by the sum-total of all previous experience. Further, in the construction of this new type, the latest demands for increase in speed, safety, distance and comfort have all been taken into consideration.

MANY NAMES.

The liner has been given a variety of qualifying names intended to emphasise the characteristic points of its construction. Amongst others it has been called an "express train of the air; and this name is certainly the right one to designate the advantages of the type. For one thing, the cabin is actually larger than the carriage of an express train; then a new kind of silencer has been introduced so that conservation is just as much possible as in any kind of earth-vehicle. Moreover, a passenger sitting comfortably in his arm-chair has only to take hold of a tassel, and immediately receives fresh air from outside without his neighbour in the next chair having any grounds for complaining of a draught. Thus, for the first time, the problem of individual supplies of fresh air, has been solved. Again, every seat has its own special reading lamp—an amenity which is not to be underestimated. There are five divisions to the passengers' cabin, and passengers have the choice of a smoking or non-smoking compartment. At night, the 40 chairs are converted into beds.

Another advantage of travel in "Der grosse Dessauer" is that all the chairs can be made into single seats facing the direction of flight. Above and below the seats there is ample room for hand-luggage and the padded double-seats are each 1.25 metres wide, so that obviously, there is plenty of elbow-room. Indeed, this is a far larger space than is allowed in the first and second class compartments of an express train. Altogether, spaciousness is one of the chief characteristics of the whole liner.

ROMANCE IN THE AIR.

The stewardess has a compartment next to the passengers' cabin fitted with a sideboard, so that she can satisfy the needs of every gourmand—provided he be not too difficult to please! It will be interesting to hear whether the stewardess of the "Grosse Dessauer" has as many pleasant experiences as her fellow-stewardesses on the big Dutch air-liners have had! For, one after the other the latter received so many proposals of marriage "in the air," that the Dutch Company finally decided to do away with the female staff altogether!.... The total space allotted to passengers over the whole 'plane, measures 83 cubic metres and includes two lavatories, a cloak-room and space for baggage at the end of the fuselage.

THE LONDON MOTOR BUS

Old Favourite Models Are Being Taken Off The Roads

(From A Correspondent.)

LONDON, (By Mail.)

The novelty of to-day is the antique of to-morrow. To most Londoners it seems no time at all since we bade adieu to the old open-topped omnibus. It comes, therefore, as a shock to read that the last of the fleet of 2,400 "N.S." buses—the first to have pneumatic tyres and a covered top—is being taken off the streets. The "N. S." was a successor to "Old Bill" and his brothers, whom many an Empire soldier came to know and respect. For they answered the nation's call in 1914 like the rest. Many a gay wheel did they churn in the mud of Flanders and many a mile over French pave with a full load of non-paying "fares." Public sentiment was always strong in their favour, and opposition was intense shortly after the war when it was announced that they were to be displaced. At that time people said—and rightly enough—that the newer vehicles killed one of the greatest joys of a visit to London; that is, seeing the sights from the top of an open bus. Now the roofed top has clapped down on all opposition, and we have drizzling vehicles with Diesel engines, hydraulic brakes, and no gears, while "Old Bill" with his shuffling gait and shuffling carburetter is only a museum piece.

GERMANY'S MOTOR ROADS

Facilities For Foreign Motorists

The foreign visitor making use of the German motor roads will be interested to learn that, since the completion of the first 1,000 Kilometres, not only has the length of the connected sections increased to an extraordinary extent but that great progress has also been made in developing the equipment. For instance, a network of up-to-date petrol tank stations is being developed, of which numerous plants are already in working order, the number of parking and resting places has been largely increased and improved, and a number of new sections have been opened in mountain ranges of medium altitude where the alignment of the roads and the structural work can be described without exaggeration as something wonderful. In the case of the newer bridges preference has been given to the use of natural stone, which may be accounted a further gain both from the point of view of beauty and from that of technics.

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Government in each country from here on. I have already given them to America, Cuba, Hawaii, Japan, China, the Philippines, Australia, and now I'll leave one in India, then Africa, Egypt, Syria, Turkey and all through Europe."

She is appearing at the Minerva Cinema on the 24th December (5-15 show only) Krishna Cinema 24th December (10-45 show only) New Empire 25th December (6-30 and 10 p.m.) shows and also at the Central Cinema on December 26th (5-15 show only).

MISS JEAN LACKEY IN BOMBAY

Jill Of All Trades With Adventurous Career On Round-The-World-Tour

Vagabond Coed, Jill of all trades, stops here on way around the world.

Working Globe Girdler gets a Job in Every Country.

On the tenth lap of her trip around the world, Jean Lackey, "The Vagabond Coed", blew into Bombay with one suit case, a scrapbook, typewriter, and camera.

"Sure I'll make it," said the bright-eyed girl in her early twenties, who hails from a small town in the center of the United States. She was formerly a student at the University of Wisconsin (That is where she created the name "The Vagabond Coed" for a girl who goes to university in the states is called a coed. Being fond of travelling, Miss Jean called herself Vagabond Coed). She has had experience doing everything from appearing in the famous Ripley Believe It or Not show to teaching in a school for the deaf.

"I'm doing what all girls think would be fun", she went on gayly. "I'm working my way around the world. I planned it all down to the fines detail. Everything I've ever done since I finished high school has been another step toward getting there. Nothing can stop me now."

HUNTED JOB AT 15.

Even in high school back in het home town, she was known as "the girl who was going around the globe," she said. When she finished high school at the age of 15, she started right out job hunting. Her first was in a lumber yard, while the regular book-keeper was on vacation, and so on, until she had had experience keeping books for 12 such companies in the short space of two months. Then she tried her fortunes as a teacher, journalist and other odd jobs.

She finally decided the time had come for a start on this around-the-world trip. She first planned to go from East to West. With only five dollars in her pocket, she asked for rides from New York to San Francisco, and made it in eight days, she said, in order to see a steamship owner about some publicity for their company. She made enough money to get back to New York by her home. "I stopped off in New York and stayed awhile, too," she said, "selling everything from lingerie to bedroom furniture in a big department store."

When she finally got back to New York again, she decided "To get an interview with Ripley to see if he could use another oddity in his show, opening then at the World's Fair."

BLOWS SMOKE BOMBS.

She said she thought she belonged there because of her ability to blow "smoke bombs." Smoke bombs? "Yes, smoke bombs. You want to see me blow them. Well, watch." She took a puff on a cigarette, puckered her mouth, fish-fashion, then blew out a whiff of smoke, followed by a white ball of smoke, the size of an agate marble; "Ripley thought it was a sure-fire hit," she continued. "He agreed to take me on in his show, and I set out for it. I didn't stay long because I had to

Miss Jean Lackey.

be inside with all the other oddities too long. Then I went back to New York and found a job keeping books and another checking up on merchandise in the way of comparing values.

SELLING IDEAS.

After that, she sold an advertising idea to a cosmetic company and a company lent her a camera and typewriter. "And when I get back in another year from now, I'll have a radio programme that you've never heard the likes of before, and I am writing a book on my experiences, too". But what did her mother and father think of their only daughter becoming a "Vagabond Coed"?

"Oh, they're swell sports about it," she said. "I don't think they worry much about me now. They're used to the idea. Oh, yes, I mustn't forget to tell you—see this? She indicated a bronze medal on a string around her neck. "I've got 40 of these. They're good will medals. I'll give them to the head of the

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JEAN LACKEY

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Nariman On Election Of Congress Leader Of Bombay Legislature

LESSON OF SECRET POLLING AT B. P. C. C.

Mr. K. F. Nariman has issued the following statement:—

The recent B. P. C. C. elections prove the efficacy and utility of ballot box and demonstrate how different methods of voting bring about different results.

It would be both interesting and instructive to compare and contrast the two elections both held within the precincts of Congress House within the same year and under the auspices of the same organisation.

Importance Of Secrecy

It is a fundamental rule of all modern democratic elections that in order to secure the greatest freedom and to enable the voter to exercise his own judgment unhampered and uninfluenced, all elections, for mere membership of primary committees to highest offices, should be by ballot and all precautions and steps are taken to observe the sanctity and secrecy of the Ballot Box.

Such is the provision in all Congress constitutions as well as in all election rules and procedure either to Parliamentary Legislatures or Municipal bodies and Corporations. Elaborate arrangements are made at great expense to see that the secrecy is most effective and complete.

Accordingly in the last elections once the voter had entered the voting place even the candidate or the election agent was not allowed even to speak to him or to influence him in any way and at the time of putting the slip in the box even his shadow could not be seen from outside. Such were the strict measures and precautions even for the ordinary election of delegates.

Now contrast that with the recent important election of Leader of Parliamentary Party held at the same place and under the auspices of the same organisation.

Although serious controversy had arisen still the elementary rule of ballot voting was completely discarded in spite of definite and specific provision for the same in Congress constitution. There was not only no ballot, but there was not even any open regular voting of any kind; only the general sense of the House was taken and it was left to the three Provincial leaders: Sjts. Vallabhbhai, Shankerrao and Gangadharrao, to gather that sense, after informal consultation with their respective groups.

It was a known fact, that the three leaders were definitely opposed to one candidate, and were, for months before, actively canvassing for another, and it is through their effort and secret and slanderous propaganda that the almost unanimous vote of Maharashtra and Karnatak in favour of one candidate was altered.

Still they were appointed, not by House, but by the interested individuals themselves to act as sole arbitrators and judges to declare the result of the general sense of the House, and the position is further aggravated when we realise that none of them were qualified to vote at the said election and had as a matter of fact no business to be at the place of election.

It was admitted by one member that it was understood that after the arrangement, no member was permitted to propose any individual name for leader when, in spite of this one-sided arrangement, a group of about 15 non-Brahmins remained firm and would not yield to the persuasions of their provincial leaders; so the help and co-operation was sought of the President of Parliamentary Board and the group was taken before that august officer who ultimately succeeded in at least silencing their opposition.

Such was the fiasco of 12th March when compared with the regular democratic procedure adopted on 19th December and there is no doubt that if the same precautions and procedure had been adopted in election of leader as was done for election of delegates the result would certainly have been different.

M. L. A.'s View

The following are some of the impressions of members present at the meeting of the 12th March.

1. Mr. B. Chakranarayan, B.A., LL.B (M.L.A.) Maharashtra writing about the said meeting in the Congress House states—"Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel was the principal speaker of the evening..... He said that Bombay had no leader.. ..... Why in face of the fact that Mr. K. F. Nariman was the President of the B.P.C.C. and had filled that office with acceptance for some years such remarks should have proceeded from Sardar Vallabhbhai is a mystery..seemingly leaving it to the members to make one (choice) Sardar V. Patel definitely offered to recommend a name—if the members had no objection—It was obvious that Sardar V. Patel was anxious to take the matter out of the hands of the members for some unknown fears and the facility with which he succeeded in securing a meek surrender of their right of choosing their own leader from the members was indeed astonishing The moral pressure exercised stifled all protest. No voting took place and Sardar Vallabhbhai took the silence of the members as consent.. There was no voting. To me it was a relief from the oppressing atmosphere where the sacred rights of the elected representatives of the people to choose their own leader were so dexterously violated by the Sardar with the aid and assistance of Mr. Deshpande and others..... 'The hand was the hand of Esau but the voice was the voice of Jacob.' Would you be surprised, Sir, if I felt painfully disappointed that such intriguing should take place as transparently in a body that professed to stand for the most enlightened principles of democracy. It will be a weary way to Swaraj so long as practice is divorced from principles".

II. Mr....., B.A., LL.B., Advocate, M.L.A., Maharashtra (an acknowledged leader of Maharashtra), states:—

Mr. Achut Patwardhan even went to the length of saying that Sardar Saheb will vote against office acceptance if Mr. Nariman was elected....

.....To my knowledge nobody was consulted Outside workers.....non-members were trying to influence the result of election of leader. As far as I know all members of Maharashtra were not consulted .....Before that on 8th March "about twenty representative members of Maharashtra had met at Poona and accepted the suggestion that Mr. Nariman should be the Leader."

III. Mr.....B.A. LL B. Advocate. M.L.C. Maharashtra.

"Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel disowned any intention to influence the decision of the meeting, but I have no doubt whatever that in effect he did influence the decision".

IV. Mr. .....B.A., LL B. Advocate, M.L.C., Maharashtra, (a veteran leader).

"In the Swarajya Party in the former Council and also on my observation of the suffering of Mr. Nariman.....and in his unswerving loyalty during our old Council career.....On account of all these the Maharashtra Group at least apparently expected the choice of Mr. Nariman as the leader.....But for the controversy .....and the dissenting voice of the leaders of the Congress Group his (Mr. Nariman's) choice would have been a matter of certainty". .....Besides the above about a dozen non-Brahmin Members corroborate the fact that till the last they remained strong supporters of Mr. Nariman when Maharashtra leader took them to Sjt. Vallabhbhai on the terrace during the interval and after that interview they gave up active opposition.

The above brief extract of impressions of some of the responsible and influential members themselves who were present at the meeing will give an idea as to whether there was any free and unfettered voting on the 12th March and how the proceedings tragically contrast with the democratic scenes witnessed at the last delegates' election on the 19th December when some officers kept vigilant watch on each voter as he entered the Hall and would not let him be approached either by candidates or by their agents.

£2,250 For Loss Of Two Fingers

LONDON, (By Mail.)

Injuries to her right hand which caused loss of two fingers brought an award of £2,250 damages to an eighteen-years-old girl at Manchester Assizes.

She was Irene Gregory, a crepe-winder, who sued James Nelson, Ltd., Valley Mills, Nelson, Lanc., her employers. Her hand was said to have been crushed between two cog wheels.

SIR WAZIR HASSAN FOR SHAHIDGANJ CASE?

LAHORE, Dec. 22.

It is learnt from a reliable source that Sir Wazir Hassan, Ex-Chief Judge of Oude, is being engaged to argue in the Sahidganj mosque appeal in the Lahore High Court.

Dr. Mahomed Alam, who is in communication with Sir Wazir Hassan, has been invited by the latter to Lucknow during Christmas to have joint consultation for preparing the case.—United Press.

"CULTIVATE CIVIC CONSCIOUSNESS"

Mrs. Pandit's Address At Delhi Women's Conference

NEW DELHI, (By Mail).

"The elements of nationality are civic, and to these the individual stands most directly related. The man who will not help his neighbour to defend his rights or suffer small risks and discomforts for the national good, is not the man who would die for his country. We should, therefore, give such education to our children as would make them good citizens."

Thus declared the Hon. Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit in the course of her presidential address at the Delhi Women's Conference, which opened this afternoon at the Saraswati Bhawan, Daryaganj. The Conference was attended among others by Lady Jagdish Prasad and Lady Mitter.

Referring to the part that women have to play for the advancement of the country, the speaker observed that so long as women would not advance, the country would make no progress and all talk of liberty was useless. Except for a brief period in the recent past, the women of this country had always taken a hand in the administration of the country.

DISCARD OLD CUSTOMS.

The whole world, proceeded Mrs. Pandit, seemed disturbed to-day. There were wars in certain countries, and in our own country we had disunion and party squabbles. In these circumstances one could not say which was the way to progress and which to destruction. The world which at one time was regarded as a huge thing had now become very small in human conception. Such being the case, the women of this country could not remain cut off from the rest of the world and enslaved to old customs which were stumbling blocks to progress.

Referring to the department of local Self-Government, which was her portfolio in the Ministry of the United Provinces Mrs. Pandit said that she had been greatly shocked to see the way the local boards were administering their affairs, in a country, which at one time was known for Panchayat Raj. There was no civic sense among the people. All that they looked to was individual gain.

With the popular demand for Democratic Government, it was obvious that one should look to local self governing bodies as the true foundations upon which the structure of a democratic state might be built, and it was therefore, urgently necessary that the idea of civic responsibility should once again be placed before us so that by concerted action we might extricate local self governing bodies from the ruts into which they have fallen and place them on a firmer footing with a proper sense of the duties which they owed to their country.

RESOLUTIONS.

The Conference concluded after adopting a number of resolutions. It expressed, sympathy with the Chinese in their national affliction, congratulated the women members elected to the Provincial Legislatures, urged on the All-India Women's Conference to further democratise its constitution etc.

The Conference was of the opinion that the efforts on the part of individual members of the Central and Provincial Legislatures to enact legislation for the removal of legal, economic and social disabilities attaching to women having proved inadequate, Provincial Governments should now initiate and pass measures to secure this object.

By another resolution the Conference called upon the Delhi Municipal Committee to take steps for the representation of women members on the Committee to lend their help in giving practical shape to schemes for hygienic, educational and general civic improvement of the city.—United Press.

Swami Gitanand's Advice To Hindus

(From A Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, (By Mail.)

A crowded meeting of Hindus was held on Saturday night at Manekchowk, Ahmedabad, under the presidentship of Shakarabhai Lallubhai.

Pandit Anandpriyaji of Baroda asked the Hindus to live as Hindus and should not consider themselves as divided in castes and sub-castes. They should not think they are Brahmins, Kshatris, Banias, Ganchis and others but must know that they are all Hindus.

It is a false idea, he remarked, that Hindus are born—Hindu religion is open to all those who want to embrace it.

Swami Gitanandji also exhorted the Hindus to be strong and active and believe in work and leave of Mayabad. They should be Karma Yogis.

HINDU TEMPLE IN LONDON

Andrews Supports Proposal

CALCUTTA, Dec. 21.

Rev. C. F. Andrews has given the following statement to the "United Press," with regard to the Hindu temple and Centre in London:—

"I have read with the deepest interest and sympathy the news of the proposal to establish a Centre of Hindu religious culture and worship in London and I would wish at once to give it my strongest support.

"Whenever any religious teacher from one of the reforming organizations in Hinduism has come over for a time to London, I have tried to induce to settle down and make a life work of helping those younger sisters and brothers, who have come over from India to study, and have found themselves to be strangers in a strange land But in every case hitherto these religious teachers have wished after a time to go elsewhere: and this special work in London needs nothing less than a life-vocation. There has also been no accredited centre, with a temple and house of religious retreat, where those who wish may find their Hindu religious instinct satisfied and revived.

"Any one who has read the autobiography of Mahatma Gandhi or Rabindra Nath Tagore's reminiscences, must have noticed the absence of any close religious touch with India during their critical days in London.

"What is needed in addition to a temple and Hall of Culture is a Dharmasala where at least for a few days after their arrival in London students may go and receive advice and good counsel as to the elementary things which they must wish to know when they come to a new country and begin a new life of study, away from their own home surroundings. If they can receive kindly help at the Hindu Centre itself this will give them a good start on their careers and help them on their way."—United Press.

B. P. T. U. C. CONDEMNS REPRESSION

Mr. S. S. Mirajkar, Secretary, B. P. T. U. C. writes:—

A largely attended meeting of the Executive Committee of the Bombay Provincial Trades Union Congress was held on the 17th and 19th instant at the Girni Kamgar Union Office, India Building, Parel.

The meeting considered the annual report placed before it by the Secretaries of the B. P. T. U. C. and the report of the Sub-Committee appointed for the purpose leading evidence before the Textile Labour Enquiry Committee.

The E. C. of the B. P. T. U. C. then took up the election of the Secretaries for the next year; and elected Mr. S. S. Mirajkar as Secretary and Mr. Wamanrao Kulkarni as Organising Secretary of the B. P. T. U. C. for the ensuing year.

The Executive Committee adopted the following resolutions

(1) This meeting of the E. C. of the B. P. T. U. C. views with grave concern the reactionary trend of Congress Ministries in increasingly identifying themselves with the repressive apparatus of the imperialist State, for the suppression of the mass movement in general and the working class movement in particular. In the name of truth and non-violence the Congress Ministries have been sanctioning the prosecution and imprisonment of labour peasant and radical political workers, promulgation of orders under Sec. 144 and Cr. Law Amendment Act at Ahmedabad, Sholapore and Cawnpore to suppress working-class and democratic movements, lathi charges and firing on unarmed workers (Cawnpore and Dharawi). Instead of acting as the spearhead of the peoples' struggle for democratic liberties, the Congress Ministers are becoming defenders and apologist of the bureaucracy. Such a policy cannot but weaken the Congress, disrupt the growing unity of the national forces and strengthen the enemies of Indian freedom.

(2) This meeting condemns the action of the Working Committee of Bihar Provincial Congress Committee in declaring a ban on Kisan organisations and their leaders and in asking the Congress worker to dissociate themselves from the Kisan Sabhas. This meeting calls upon the Working Committee of the Congress not to countenance this action of the B. P. C. C. and to prevail upon it not to adopt a hostile attitude to the Kisan Sabhas.

A 30-year-old acquaintance was renewed when Rao Bahadur Tarachand Shonikiram, the grand old man of Sind aged 85 had the honour of being visited at his residence in Hyderabad by the Governor, Sir Lancelot Graham, who recalled old memories.

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FAILURE TO TAKE ACTION ON A BOOK

NEW DELHI, Dec. 22.

Mr. Akhil Dutt, Deputy President of the Central Assembly has tabled an adjournment motion about the failure of the Government of India to take any action regarding the alleged objectionable book entitled, "As a Man's Hand" by Miss D. H. Southgate, published in England.

It will be recalled that the Home Secretary replied in the Council of State on November 15, that Government had examined the book and decided that it did not call for any action.

There are already four more adjournment motions tabled for the budget session by Mr. Avanasilingam Chettiar, regarding the mechanisation of British units of the Indian Army, ratification of Sugar Agreement, Government of India's decision to consult Provincial Governments regarding the Federation and Wheeler Committee recommendations on the re-organisation of Secretariat.

Circulars have been issued by the Assembly to members fixing dates when the members of different Government Departments would answer questions relating to respective departments.—United Press.

TAGORE CONDEMNS IMPERIALISM

Prayer At Santiniketan Anniversary

SANTINIKETAN, December 22.

Santiniketan celebrated its 36th anniversary this morning when, in the course of a service in the prayer hall, Dr. Rabindra Nath Tagore said that man had voluntarily undergone penance and suffering, knowing that the truth of self-realisation could never be discovered by the faint-hearted.

Referring to his father, the Maharshi, who founded the Ashram, the Poet said that it was a matter of great joy that one such man had left his spirit behind in the Ashram.

Continuing he denounced the spirit of covetousness and greed of the Empire builders, who crushed and exploited the meek peoples of the world. In this connection, he referred to the example of Italy and the more recent one of Japan.

Concluding he said, "We do not have death dealing weapons. We have simply the courage of conviction to-day. Lead us, O Lord, from untruth unto truth, from darkness unto light, from death unto immortality."—A. P.

Muslims Win In Semi-Final

(Continued from page 14)

Saeed Ahmed and Y. Ismail, who were now batting, the bowler claimed a fifth wicket, Y. Ismail, the young St. Xavier's College bat, being clean bowled, (207—7—4).

Successive Dismissals

Amir Elahi received an ovation when he came into bat, as he had earned a reputation for bright cricket. He did not deprive his admirers of what they asked, as he flogged the bowling, starting with a boundary off the first ball he received, 210 and 220 were passed in quick time. Harris, however, dissolved the partnership, claiming Saeed Ahmed's life for an obstruction. This young player, who had been responsible for a fine display of batting in the Muslim's first innings could only give his side 4 in their next venture, (225—8—4).

Mubarak Ali filled the vacancy at the crease, but Harris with his first delivery clean bowled him. This was the bowler's second wicket off successive balls in his first over of the morning, (225—9—0).

Shahabuddin was the final man in. He returned with nil unbeaten as Amir Elahi at the other end had his wickets shattered by Richards, (225—10—15).

Richards had risen to great heights this morning and he produced bowling that so far had not come from him in this match. On Thursday morning he had 3 dismissals for 15. His finals figures worked out to a small fraction over 13 runs a wicket and 6 dismissals stood against his name.

"THE REST" SECOND INNINGS

The complexion of the game had completely changed; the unexpected had happened once again. Six run getting bats of the Muslim side had only given their side 39 runs. This gave "The Rest" a sporting chance now of snatching a verdict though it was going to be a real fight.

The Muslims now held an advantage of 266 points, and their opponents, if the time officially allowed for lunch and tea were kept, had 288 minutes to gather 267 runs. It was a possibility but difficult against the Muslim attack.

At 11-27 a.m. J. Abreu and M. Cohen were sent in to open the second innings of "The Rest", while Shahabuddin and Mubarak Ali were in charge of the Muslim attack. The former sent down a maiden over to Abreu, who was not destined to last long as Shahabuddin had him out l.b.w. with the second delivery of his second over, "The Rest" thus losing their first wicket at 4, (4—1—1).

O. J. Gonsalves joined Cohen and opened his account with a 2 to leg off Mabarak. Gonsalves repeated the same stroke and sent up the first decade in 14 minutes. The Bandra Gymkhana player was scoring freely and was responsible for the next 10 coming in 6 minutes. At the same time 10 was put up below his number on the score boards. Cohen was also playing quite confidently.

At 25, Kadri made the first change in his bowling, when Mubarak Ali was taken off in favour of Saeed Ahmed. A stroke for 2 from Cohen's bat off Shahabuddin gave the batsman his 10.

With the new bowler in charge and Shahabuddin at the other end things slowed up and 30 was signalled by the telegraph after 39 minutes' play. Both men at the wickets had now earned double figures.

Cohen committed an error as 33, a fast ball away from the wickets on the off was wrongly played. This gave Laljee a fast catch in the gully which the fielder safely held. Cohen though only giving his side 13 had played very carefully, his first bit of carelessness cost him his innings (33—2—13).

F. C. De Saram joined Gonsalves at the wickets. The Ceylon bat was not worried by Shahabuddin's bumpers and took 8 off the first over he received, this put "The Rest" beyond 40

With the book showing 44, Amir Elahi was given the ball by Kadri. Three to leg by Gonsalves off this bowling gave the batsman 20. De Saram lifted the same attack to the stand past mid-on This earned "The Rest" their 50 The innings was now 57 minutes old.

Immediately after an unanimous appeal for l.b.w. against Gonsalves was turned down by the official. Saeed Ahmed was bowling now in place of Shahabuddin.

Incidentaliy there had been some wild claiming by the Muslims to-day.

Gonsalves closed a useful innings at 56, when he snicked a big breaking ball from Amir Elahi into the hands of Qamruddin, fielding in the slips. This meant 3 dismissals in exactly an hour, which was not good going, considering the up-hill fight "The Rest" were faced with, (56—3—24).

P. A. D'Avoine was sent in next. Things had slowed down considerably at this stage and scoring was being done in mostly singles.

A loose ball from Amir Elahi was punished by De Saram for a four, which gave the Ceylon player his 20. One run by D'Avoine off Amir Elahi raised the total to 70

First 6 At Brabourne Stadium

At 71, Shahabuddin was put on for the second time, relieving Saeed Ahmed from the Marine Drive end. D'Avoine, with 5 runs off him, entered on his double figure. Coming against Amir Elahi from the opposite wicket this batsman with a hefty hit scored the first six made on the Brabourne Stadium ground. This swot gave "The Rest" 83 when lunch was taken. De Saram and D'Avoine, the two not outs stood with 24 and 17 respectively.

D'Avoine and De Saram continued their innings after the lunch interval facing the attack of Saeed Ahmed and Mubarak Ali. A full toss was rightly punished by De Saram for four. This gave the batsman 30. Another single saw 90 hoisted for the "Rest". Runs were coming at a slower pace than "The Rest" required them at. The first quarter of an hour saw 8 points scored. D'Avoine just after this entered his twenties driving Mubarak for two to the on side.

The existing partnership was almost terminated at 98, when De Saram was almost run out in sneaking a run. Baporia threw in very accurately, Abbas Khan failing to gather the ball correctly.

100 Up

The century came immediately after, the hundred taking 118 minutes.

D'AVOINE RUN OUT.

Saeed Ahmed was keeping an immaculate length and to the chagrin of "The Rest" helped greatly to keep activities at the wickets subdued. De Saram's error on Wednesday evidently had not taught him a lesson—not to take risky runs. He repeated his mistake on Thursday, when he called on D'Avoine to take a dangerous run. D'Avoine responded, a very accurate return by Saeed Ahmed saw the missle strike the pegs before the batsman was in his ground. D'Avoine was travelling nicely, and at the time of his career being wound up he was at his ease against the attack, (108-4-27).

Jayawickrame, who entered at the fourth fall, was expected to repeat the great things of the previous day, he proved a failure today. Before he opened his score Amir Elahi got through his defence with a swinging ball, that left him guessing, (113-5-0).

Harris with De Saram formed the sixth partnership. They got past 20 with some fast scoring. Then De Saram hooked Amir Elahi for 3, and secured his fifty. Run-getting was speedier at 2-55 p.m. 134 was credited, which meant 51 runs had been earned in 55 minutes. An accident to Mubarak Ali in fielding compelled this man to retire, M. Surti taking his place. De Saram placed Amir Elahi to off and ran two to earn his sixty. This stroke also saw "The Rest" at 150. The innings had lasted 161 minutes when this total was reached.

DOUBLE-CHANGE IN BOWLING.

A double change in bowling brought on Shahabuddin and Amir Elahi at the bowlers' ends, the latter operating from the Club House end. This bowler with the fifth ball of his first over sent Harris back l.b.w. The sixth partnership had just shown signs of being fruitful, (154-6-17).

De Saram got G. Richards as companion. Shahabuddin was again displaying his fondness of pitching short and getting his deliveries to rise dangerously. In fact it appeared at times that the batsman was his target and not the wickets his legitimate object. De Saram was doing all the run getting, without taking undue risks. Though his persistence in taking risky runs caused anxious moments. This bat with a quick run off Shahabuddin put 160 on the boards. De Saram continued to climb and peaked his 70 at 3-30 p.m. Richards was responsible for putting his side past 170, with a powerful drive to the stands.

GAME VERY UNCERTAIN.

The game was again in the balance. The hopes of "The Rest," however, lay in the batting pair staying where they were and proceeding with the good work.

These hopes toppled when Richards tried to hit a perfect length ball from Saeed Ahmed, mistimed and was clean bowled, (177-7-11). A. S. De Mello entered on his innings at this fall.

De Saram, the Oxford Blue, cut Amir Elahi for 3 and had 180 for his side. De Mello had a very short life and at 183 Saeed Ahmed bowled him, (183-8-3).

PEREIRA OUT L-B-W.

The penultimate pair was De Saram and A. C. Pereira. With a lusty hit to the far screen De Saram carried "The Rest" to 190. At the same total a confident appeal against Pereira for obstruction off Amir Elahi's bowling failed. The umpire was called upon to give a decision off the very next ball and held Pereira out under the l-b-w rule, (190-9-2). Tea was taken at this fall. De Saram was not out with 82.

DE SARAM DROPPED.

"The Rest" entered on their last stretch of the game after tea had been taken. The last pair to face the attack being De Saram and S. S. Manoharam. Saeed Ahmed and Amir Elahi doing the bowling. Laljee should have closed the match at 196, when De Saram badly connecting skied the ball, the fieldsman went about taking the catch incorrectly and failed to get his hands to it. This batsman travelled to 90 when he hooked Amir Elahi to the rails on the leg side. The boundary raised 'The Rest' to 200. It had taken the side 17 minutes short of 4 hours to boast this figure.

With De Saram reaching his century the stands egged him on with repeated applause.

Shahabuddin was asked to take the ball at 208 and bowled with four men in the slips. Manoharam's determined effort to keep his end up pleased the spectators. His each defencive stroke was applauded. De Saram got his 100, by hooking Saeed Ahmed for a brace.

CEYLON BAT SCORES CENTURY.

The Ceylon player had worked 197 minutes for his century and at this score had reached the boundary 8 times. Passing his century De Saram was full of runs, only impossible balls escaping punishment. This fast run getting made De Saram give Laljee a very difficult chance at 115. The fielder had to make up a deal of ground. He made a brave effort but just failed to hold the ball. De Saram with easy scoring reached 120. He was no longer subdued. Kadri wrung a double change, as things were becoming disconcerting with "The Rest" past 230 and 25 minutes to go. The new bowlers were Mubarak Ali, who took his place in the field after tea, and Saeed Ahmed. The latter brought victory to the Muslims as with the last ball of his over he dislodged Manoharam's bails. The beaten bat had with some stolid cricket kept his wicket intact longer than expected. At a very unfortunate moment he was defeated. The ball, however, that Saeed Ahmed dismissed Manoharam with was a beauty and its break completely deceived the batsman. De Saram earned glory by remaining undefeated with 122 to his credit. His total showed 12 fours and a five. Amir Elahi again returned with the biggest number of wickets, but Saeed Ahmed boasted the best figures—three for 45.

MUSLIMS (Second Innings)

Faiz Ahmed, b Manoharam ..	107
Qamruddin, b Richards	8
Abbas Khan, b Richards	50
S. M. Kadri, b Richards	1
A. E. Baporia, l.b.w., b Harris	15
G. N. Laljee, l.b.w., b Richards	14
K. Saeed Ahmed, l.b.w., b Harris	4
Y. Ismail, b Richards	4
Amir Elahi, b Richards	15
Mubarak Ali, b Harris	0
Shahabuddin (not out)	0
Extras	7
Total	225

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Richards	20.1	3	79	6
De Mello	10	2	21	0
Jayawickrame	15	3	43	0
Harris	9	1	25	3
Manoharam	5	0	24	1
Gonsalves	3	0	12	0
D'Avoine	4	0	14	0

Fall Of Wickets

1 for 29, 2 for 123, 3 for 145, 4 for 179, 5 for 201, 6 for 201, 7 for 207, 8 for 225, 9 for 225, and 10 for 225.

"THE REST" (Second Innings)

J. Abreu, l.b.w., b Shahabuddin	1
M. Cohen, c Laljee, b Shahabuddin	13
O. J. Gonsalves, c Qamruddin, b Amir Elahi	24
F. C. De Saram (not out) ..	122
P. A. D'Avoine run out	27
S. S. Jayawickrame, b Amir Elahi	0
J. G. Harris, l.b.w., b Amir Elahi	17
G. Richards, b S. Ahmed	11
A. S. De Mellow, b S. Ahmed	3
A. C. Pereira, l.b.w., b A. Elahi	2
S. S. Manoharam, b S. Ahmed	3
Extras	10
Total	233

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Shahabuddin	14	2	51	2
Mubarak Ali	13	0	51	0
Saeed Ahmed	23	6	45	3
Amir Elahi	21	4	76	4

FALL OF WICKETS.

1/4, 2/33, 3/56, 4/108, 5/113, 6/154 7/177, 8/183, 9/190, 10/233.

Bihar Sugar Control Bill

INDIAN SUGAR SYNDICATE'S DEFENCE

In the course of a circular letter addressed to the members of the Indian Sugar Syndicate and of the Indian Sugar Mills Association in subject of the Bihar Sugar Factories control Bill, Mr. S. Suri, on behalf of the I. S. Syndicate, writes:—

The attention of the Syndicate has been drawn to a Circular letter addressed recently by some sugar factories on the implications of the Bihar Sugar Factories Control Bill.

At the outset let me explain clearly, that all the points raised in the said Circular were thoroughly discussed at an Extra-ordinary General Meeting of the Syndicate at Lucknow on the 11th of November, 1937. The Syndicate was not unaware either of the fact that Government intervention involved a good deal of restriction in the free working of the industry or of the results of Government control. The fear of nationalisation of the industry, the effects of the fixation of minimum price for cane, and the maximum price for sugar, the inadequancy of the Syndicate's resources for providing finance and godown accommodation, and other drawbacks in the working of a common marketing organisation, were brought forward by Members and were discussed thread-bare at the last Extra-ordinary General Meeting at Lucknow. I may state here that while the Meeting took note of all the above factors, they could not help feeling that Government control was necessary in view of the fact that there was no unanimity or union amongst sugar factories and that unless all the sugar factories joined the Syndicate, it was not posible to run successfully a joint marketing organisation.

After a full consideration of the question, unanimous approval of the Meeting was given to the proposal for requesting Government to introduce suitable legislation for bringing about an organisation in the industry and compelling all mills to join a Central Sale organisation and for this purpose a deputation consisting of 6 influential persons were given "a blank cheque" to negotiate terms with the Governments of U.P. and Bihar so as to enable them to introduce suitable legislation. The Bihar Sugar Factories Control Bill which has already passed through the Assembly was drafted in consultation with this deputation of the Syndicate.

I also take this opportunity of bringing clearly to your notice the fact that The Indian Sugar Mills Association Also Stands Committed To The Policy Outlined By The Syndicate.

This Governmental intervention can perhaps be eliminated if we could set up an organisation by voluntary efforts; but in view of the expressed attitude of a certain section of the industry there is little nope for this to be achieved. The latter have to thank themselves for creating a set of circumstances under which Government legislation was found inevitable.

The Circular makes out that the Sugar Factories Control Bill could have been postponed till the publication of the Tariff Board Report. The Syndicate fails to see what bearing this will have upon the usefulness of the Syndicate or its continuance. Whatever be the decision of the Tariff Board it cannot be gain-said that the general interests of the sugar industry of India require that a common marketing organisation should function with a view to avoid cut-throat and unrestrained competition, which will be detrimental to all interests concerned.

To say that the policy of the Syndicate is to put up the prices of sugar is also untrue. The Syndicate and the Deputation that it sent to meet the Members of the Legislatures have pledged themselves to keep the prices of sugar as low as possible consistent with a minimum profit. The Syndicate realises that an increase in the consumption of sugar is not possible unless the prices are maintained at a proper level and this the Syndicate proposes to achieve by keeping its prices at a low level.

I may also explain that the policy of the Syndicate makes it impossible for the weaker Members to go to the wall. Sugar factories with plenty of resources can afford to work without Government interference or control; and perhaps if no Government help were to come in, they might be able perhaps to drive the smaller factories out of existence. The closing down of smaller factories on account of competition from big interests is a matter which the Syndicate cannot view with equanimity.

The Kingsway police arrested two persons—Dhansing Ramsing and Kesho Ramsing—who were stated to have been associating themselves with one Thaku, a servant in the employ of one Mr. P. V Thadani residing at Jam-e-Jamshed Road.

The servant is alleged to have absconded after committing theft of property consisting of gold and diamond ornaments and cash collectivley valued at Rs. 3.453.

The accused were placed before Mr. W. K. Manker Presidency Magistrate, Dadar, and were ordered to be enlarged on a bail of Rs. 2.000.

PERMANENT SETTLEMENT NOT IN DANGER

Agricultural Income-Tax Bill Quite In Order

PATNA, Dec. 22.

To-day's sitting of the Bihar Legislative Assembly was completely taken up with the discussion on the Agricultural Income Tax Bill introduced yesterday by the Finance Minister.

Mr. C. P. N. Sinha, Leader of the Opposition, maintained that the motion was not in order as it would be infringing the character of the Permanent Settlement. He argued, therefore, that under the Government of India Act the sanction of the Governor and the Governor-General was necessary before discussion of the Bill.

Mr. Baldev Sahay, Advocate-General, replying to the arguments advanced by the Opposition, repudiated the contention that the motion was 'ultra vires or that the Bill would alter the character of the Permanent Settlement. He held that the measure was not repugnant to the provisions of the Government of India Act and did not require the previous sanction of the Governor or the Governor-General.

The Speaker ruled that the motion was in order. The Bill was referred to a Select Committee.

The Assembly elected twelve members out of 24, who will comprise the Joint Select Committee to consider the Bill.—A. P.

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Latest Commercial News

NEW YORK COTTON FOUR POINTS DOWN

Sterling Dollar Steady, Franc Weak, Want Of Activity In London Stock Exchange

BOMBAY, Dec. 23.

NEW YORK COTTON.

Cotton was somewhat easier following lower outside cables with absence of Bombay adversely affecting sentiment. But lower stage showed resistence and later a steady tone prevailed. Liquidation prior to holidays was noticeable.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT.

Opened quiet and ruled dull in sympathy with overnight outside cables and cheaper shippers offers. Operations were unsignificant.

CHICAGO WHEAT.

Opened steady and then prices eased moderately on lack of outsider support and same professional selling influenced by cheaper offers abroad.

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

MARCH 1938.

New York, Dec. 23.

Previous closing	8.38
To-day's opening	8.30
Difference	—.08
To-day's closing	8.34
Difference	—.04

LIVERPOOL COTTON

JANUARY 1938

Liverpool, Dec. 23.

Previous closing	4.71
To-day's opening	4.73
Difference	+.02
To-day's closing	4.69
Difference	—.02

BROACH EXPECTATION

New April May ..... Rs. 171

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, Dec. 23.

New York cotton was somewhat easier following lower outside with absence of Bombay adversely affecting sentiment but at lower levels developed resistance.

Trading in March commenced at 8.30 i.e. eight points lower than previous closing. Prices declined on scattered selling and liquidation prior to holidays but subsequently market displayed steadier tendency with good undertone.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Dec. 23.

The following were the opening ranges:—

December (8.22/8.20) 8.18/8.18
January (8.32/8.32) 8.30/8.29
March (8.42/8.40) 8.38/8.37

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, Dec. 23.

American December (4.71) 4.67
American January (4.72) 4.69
Sakels January (6.77) 6.81
Sakels March (6.71) 6.74

BROACH COTTON

Bombay, Dec. 23.

Improved on offices buying but later declined on speculators selling with rate steadily giving way under option dealers selling to 170/12 at this stage rally following actuated by steadiness of New York cables which induced good covering purchases under which Broach rose to 171/4

LONDON MARKETS

London, Dec. 23.

The rates at 2-30 p. m. were as follows:—

TEA

Indian Pekoe (1-0 3/4) 1-0 3/4
Indian Pekoe higher (1-2 1/4) 1-2 1/4
Ceylon Pekoe (1-0 3/4) 1-0 3/4
Ceylon Pekoe higher (1-8) 1-8

JUTE

New Crop December (19 paid buyers) 19 1/16 sellers.
Dunlop December (£22 sellers) £21 3/4 sellers
Lightning December (£21 sellers) £20 3/4

RUBBER

Spot (7 3/8 buyers) 7 1/4
Forward April June (7 9/16 paid sellers) 7 7/16 paid

LINSEED

Castorseed Bombay December January (£14 1/8 sellers) £14 1/8 sellers
Linseed Calcutta December January (£15 1/16 sellers) £15 sellers
Linseed La Plata December (£12 11/16 sellers) £12 9/16 sellers
Groundnuts Coromandal January (£11 13/16 sellers) £11 13/16 sellers

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Liverpool, Dec. 23.

Liverpool wheat opened quiet March 87 May 88 1/4 market was quiet in sympathy with overnight cables from outside and cheaper shippers offers with operations quiet insignificant.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago, Dec. 23.

Chicago wheat opened quiet with December at 0.94 1/2. Prices eased moderately on lack of outside support and some professional selling influenced by cheaper offers abroad.

EXCHANGES

LONDON-NEW YORK CROSS RATES

Latest Quotations

New York, Dec. 23.

Previous closing	4.99 13/16
To-day's opening	4.99 7/8
To-day's closing	4.99 3/4

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, Dec. 23.

Previous closing	4.99.82
To-day's opening	4.99.85
To-day's closing	4.99.85

FRANC RATE

London, Dec. 23.

Previous closing	147.16
To-day's opening	147.13
To-day's closing	147.16

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Dec. 23.

London exchanges opened with sterling dollar at 4.99.85 and then improved little to 4.99.87 on some enquiry franc opened at 147.13 and then weakened to 147.15 on lack of support.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-6 1/8) 1-6 1/8
Paris on Bombay (11.113) 11.110
New York on Bombay (37.74) 37.74
Berlin on Bombay (0.93 3/4) 0.93 3/4
London on Milan (95.00) 95.00
London on Shanghai (1-2 3/16) 1-2 3/16
London on Kobe (1-2) 1-2

DISCOUNTS

3 months (11/16 to 3/4 per cent) 11/16 to 3/4 per cent
4 months (11/16 to 3/4 per cent) 5/8 to 11/16 per cent.
6 months (11/16 to 11/16 per cent) 5/8 to 11/16 per cent.

LONDON METALS

To-day's opening rates were as follows:—

Tin (£189 1/8 buyers £189 3/8 sellers steady) £187 1/8 buyers £187 3/8 sellers.
Lead (£15 5/8 buyers £15 3/4 sellers) £15 5/8 buyers £15 11/16 steady.
Electrolytic Copper (£44 to £45 1/2) £44 to 45
Glasgow Iron (112) 112

SILVER CABLES

Bombay, Dec. 23.

The following cable information was received from London:—

"India bought and sold speculators bought market steady."

LONDON SILVER

London, Dec. 23.

Spot	(18 11/16 3/16d) 18 1/2 3/16
Forward	18 1/2 1/16d) 18 5/16 3/16

LONDON GOLD

London, Dec. 23.

Gold Bars Fine per ounce (£6-19-8) £6-19-8

BOMBAY BULLION

Bombay, Dec. 23.

	10-0	p.m.
Silver ready	47	5 0
Silver Posh	47	6 0
Silver Mah	47	7 0
Gold ready	34	6 6
Gold Posh	34	6 9
Gold Mah	34	7 0
Sovereign	22	6 0

BROWN BOLD LINSEED

(Through Bombay Grains and Seeds' Association).

Bombay, Dec. 23.

Rates at 1-30 a.m.	7 13 3
Rates at 12-0 noon	7 13 6
Rates at 3-0 p.m.	7 13 3
Rates at 5-0 p.m.	7 13 0

WHEAT AND LINSEED

Closing Quotations

Bombay, Dec. 23.

Wheat Jan.	5 2 6
Wheat May	4 14 6
Linseed May	7 13 1

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Closing Quotations

London, Dec. 23.

Liverpool wheat December closed at 89 1/4 as against the previous closing at 90 1/4.

3½ P. C. GOVT. PAPER

Closing Quotations

Bombay, Dec. 23.

The 3 1/2 per cent Government paper was quoted Rs. 98-5-0 at 2 p.m. The closing quotation at 5 p.m. Rs. 97-14 was also the same.

Fluctuations during the sessions were as follows:—

Opening	98	7	0
Highest	98	7	0
Lowest	98	5	0
Closing	98	5	0

INDIAN STERLING LOAN

Liverpool, Dec. 23.

The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed at 93 as against the previous closing at 93 1/4

INDIAN LOANS

London, Dec. 23. 2-30 p.m

3 per cent Indian (£99) £99
3 1/2 per cent Indian (£93 1/8) £92 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950-55 (£112-0) £112-0
4 1/2 per cent Indian 1958-68 (£115) £115
4 per cent Indian 1948-53 (£107 1/8) £107-3
5 per cent Indian 1942-47 (£110) £110
3 1/2 per cent New Indian 1954-59 (£103 1/8) £103 1/4

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

5 per cent Australian Loan 1945/70 (£107) £107 3/8

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£74 3/8) £74 3/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£102) £102
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£105 3/4) £105 3/4
5 per cent Funding Loan (£112 3/8) £112-4 1/2
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£101 5/8) £101 5/8
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£111) £111

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Dec. 23.

London Stock Exchange was generally uninteresting with approaching holidays curtailing activity Giltedged securities also kept quiet with very little doing three and a half quoted 93 1/4 is unchanged from previous closing.

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (15 1/4) 15-3
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (59 3/4) 60-3
Hydro Electric (dol 5 3/8) dol 5 1/4
Musical Industries (17) 16-4 1/2
Princhin Johnson (38-6) 38-6
Imperial Chemical (35-7 1/2) 35-7 1/2
Woolsworth New Ordinary (71-0) 70
Realisation 1930 (£50) £48 1/2
Dunlop Rubber (32-9) 32-9
Unilever Ordinary (36-9) 36-9
Ford Motors (22-6) 22-6
Cables and Wireless new ordinary (£66-7 1/2) £66-7 1/2
British American Tobacco (109-4 1/2) 108-9
Carreas 'A' (£7-6) £7-6
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (148-1 1/2) 147-6
P. and O. S. N. Company Deferred (22 -0) 22-0
Distillers (107-0) 106-6
Bredfords Dyers (£5-3) £5-3
British Celanese (£5) £5
J and P Coates Ordinary (41-3 1/2) 41-3
Courtaulds Ordinary (47-3) 47-3
Fine Cotton Spinners (6-1 1/2) 6-1 1/2
Vickers Limited Ordinary (26-6) 26-6
Inter Nickels (dol 46-4 1/2) 46 3/8
Indian Iron and Steel Ordinary (52-6) 52-6
Tata Steel Preference (£100) £100

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (19) 19
Donaro Tea (42-0) 42-6
Empire of India (30-0) 31-0

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (29-3) 29-3
Gula Kelampong (29-4 1/2) 29-4 1/2
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (28-7 1/2) 28-7 1/2

JUTE SHARES

Barnagore (9) 9

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (58-9) 58-9
Burma Corporation (12-1 1/2) 12-1 1/2
Rio Tintos (£19-4 1/2) £19 3/8
East Rand Proprietors (57-6) 57-6
Rand Mines (£8-1 1/2) £8 1/8

MINE SHARES

Crown Mines (£15-4 1/2) £15-4 1/2
Associated Portland Cement (90-7 1/2) 90-7 1/2
Trinidad Leaseholds (100) 100
Sub Nigel (£10-3) £10 1/4
Spring Mines Split Shares (32-6) 32-6
Union Corporation (£7-9) £7 3/4

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (38-9) 39-4 1/2
Anglo Iranian (79-4 1/2) 79-4 1/2
Burma Oil (119-9) 118-9
Mexican Eagle (12-1 1/2) 12-1 1/4
Shell Transport (99-4 1/2) 99-4 1/2
Royal Dutch (£41-4 1/2) 41-4 1/2

HOME RAIL SHARES

Great Western (£63-6) £63 1/2
L and S Ordinary (£29-10) £29 7/8
L N E R Deferred (£4-3) £ 1/4
Southern Dutch (19-3) 19 1/4
London Paris Cement (£128) £128
London Transport 'C' Stock (£79-9) £79 3/4

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Dec. 23.

To-day's opening rates were as follows:—

U S Steel Common (dol 60 7/8) dol 59 3/8
General Motors (dol 39 1/4) dol 32 7/8
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 33 3/8) dol 32 5/8
U S Steel Preference (unquoted) 109

Stock Exchange

HUGE CHRISTMAS CURRENCY DEMAND

Bank Of England Note Issue Reaches New High Record

(SPECIAL CABLE.)

LONDON, Dec. 23.

The Stock Exchange was inactive and there were few notable changes.

Giltedged securities encountered little pre-holiday liquidation.

The continent bought Royal Dutch. Paris inquired for a few Kaffir specialities. Far Eastern bonds were again down-marked.

The Stock Exchange is closing at 2 p.m. to-morrow. Christmas Currency demand has resulted in the Bank of England note issue reaching a new high record of 505 point three million sterling which compares with 474 point one million for the corresponding week last year.

Wall Street was quietly irregular.

WALL-STREET MARKET

New York Dec 22

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:—

	Dollars
Amr Power and Light Pfd 5 per cent A	34
Amr Forn Power Pfd 7 per cent	22
Electric P and Light 7 per cent Pfd	44
Electric Bond Common	10
Electric Bond 6 per cent Pfd	59
United Power and Light	3
United Gas Corp	4
American Tel and Tel	147 1/4
Western Union Telg	26 1/4
New York Central Railway	19
Southern Pacific Railway	22
Bethlehem Steel 7 per cent Pfd	95
Int Tel and Tel	88
Ludlum Steel	17
Republic Steel	18
United S Steel	59 3/4
United S Smelting	62
Anaconda Copper Mining	32 1/4
Int Nickel of Canada	46 1/4
Chrysler Motors	55
General Motors	32 1/2
General Electric	44
Union Carbide	77 1/4
Barnsdall Oil	14
Consolidated Oil	9
Socony Oil	15 1/4
National Dairy	14
Chase Bank	30
National City Bank	26
Westinghouse Air Brake	27
Japanese 5 1/2 per cent	76
Japanese 5 1/2 per cent	65

Slight preholiday reaction. Turnover 1½ million shares. Steel of Canada 70 dol and the Company has declared dol 2 dividend and quarterly dividend of 43 3/4 cents.

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, Dec 22

Broach A/M 1938 opening 172 3/4 highest 173 3/4 lowest 172 1/4 closing 173
Broach J/A opening 175 1/2 highest 176 lowest 175 closing 175 3/4
Oomra D/J opening 157 1/4 highest 157 1/4 lowest 156 closing 156
Oomra March opening 155 highest 157 1/4 lowest 155 closing 155 1/2
Oomra May opening 158 1/4 highest 158 1/4 lowest 156 3/4 closing 157 1/4
Bengal D/J opening 135 highest 135 lowest 134 closing 134
Bengal March opening 135 highest 135 lowest 134 closing 134
Tejimandi for Broach April May (21-1-38) Rs. 7 1/2
Tejimandi for Broach April May (31-3-38) Rs. 14 3/4
Tejimandi for Broach July August (24-8-38) Rs. 21 1/2

Produce Receipts

Bombay, Dec. 23

Wheat	4,393 cwts.
Linseed	3,325 cwts.
Gingellyseed	1,561 cwts.
Poppyseed	34 cwts.
Groundnuts	37,185 cwts.
Castorseed	94 cwts.
Rice	44,380 cwts.
Myrabollams	5,544 cwts.
Cottonseed	19,67 cwts.
Gram	1,436 cwts.
Joowar	792 cwts.
Barley	84 cwts.
Bajree	7,519 cwts.
Indian Sugar	5,292 cwts.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Dec 22

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	£72 1/2
Indian stock 3 per cent 1948	£79 1/2
Indian stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	£93 1/4
Indian stock 4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	£112
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£74 3/8
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£101 3/4
War loan 3 1/2 per cent 1952	£101 5/8
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90	£112 3/8
Victory Bonds 4 per cent	£111 1/8
Chartered Bank of India A and China	£12 1/4
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London reg	£86
National Bank of India	£40 1/2
P and O Banking Corporation	£9 5/8

LONDON DISCOUNT RATES

London, Dec 22

Bank bills 3 months market rate 11/16 per cent to 11/16 per cent
Bank bills months market rate 5/8 per cent to 11/16 per cent
Fine trade bills 3 months market rate 2 to 2 1/2 per cent
Fine trade bills 6 months market rate 2 1/2 per cent to per cent
Interest day to day loan 1/2 per cent to 1/2 per cent
Interest 7 days' market loan 1/2 per cent.

RESERVE BANK RATE

Reserve Bank of India rate is unchanged at 3 per cent. per annum.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

An account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week ending on the 17th day of December 1937.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

LIABILITIES— Rs.

Notes held in the Banking Department	32,48,94,000
Notes in circulation:—	
(a) Legal Tender in India	177,63,45,000
(b) Legal Tender in Burma only	4,45,15,000
Total Notes issued	214,57,54,000
Total Liabilities	214,57,54,000

ASSETS— Rs.

A. Gold Coin and Bullion:—	
(a) Held in India	41,54,53,000
(b) Held outside India	2,86,98,000
Sterling Securities	80,30,70,000
Total of A	124,72,21,000
B. Rupee Coin	62,47,89,000
Government of India Rupee Securities	27,37,44,000
Internal Bills of Exchange and other commercial Paper	Nil
Total Assets	214,57,54,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 58.125 per cent.

Statement of the Affairs of the Reserve Bank of India, Banking Department as on the 17th December, 1937.

LIABILITIES— Rs.

Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	5,00,00,000
Deposits:—	
(a) Government*	9,06,72,000
(b) Banks	26,11,63,000
(c) Others	1,13,32,000
Bills Payable	10,43,000
Other Liabilities	1,06,06,000
Rupees	41,50,16,000

*Includes £42,100 held in London on account of the High Commissioner converted at 1s. 6d. to the rupee.

ASSETS— Rs.

Notes:—	
(a) Legal Tender in India	32,48,00,000
(b) Legal Tender in Burma only	94,000
Rupee Coin	3,41,000
Subsidiary Coin	3,49,000
Bills discounted:—	
(a) Internal	Nil
(b) External	Nil
(c) Government of India Treasury Bills	Nil
Balances held abroad*	3,51,05,000
Loans and Advances to the Govt.	4,00,00,000
Other Loans and Advances	1,00,000
Investments	6,28,68,000
Other Assets	1,13,59,000
Rupees	47,50,16,000

*Includes Cash and Short term Securities.

Position Of Scheduled Banks

A Press Communique state:

Statement of the position of scheduled Banks as at the close of business on the 17th December, 1937.

	Rs.
1. Demand Liabilities—	
(a) In India	126,72,97,000
(b) In Burma	6,26,,04,000
2. Time Liabilities—	
(a) In India	104,37,35,000
(b) In Burma	4,84,50,000
3. Cash—	
(i) Currency Notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes—	
(a) In India	6,22,17,000
(b) In Burma	3,07,000
(ii) Burma Notes.—	
(a) In India	7,000
(b) In Burma	19,03,000
(iii) Rupee Coin—	
(a) In India	81,92,000
(b) In Burma	96,000
(iv) Subsidiary Coin—	
(a) In India	25,72,000
(b) In Burma	1,46,000
4. Balances with Reserve Bank	25,43,19,000
5. Advances—	
(a) In India	99,06,78,000
(b) In Burma	4,20,96,000
6. Bills discounted—	
(a) In India	5,77,84,000
(b) In Burma	26,74,000

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Dec 22

T T London on:—	
New York	4.99.82
Paris	147.16
Berlin	12.40 1/2
Madrid	76.00
Amsterdam	8.98 15/16
Brussels	29.43 1/2
Milan	95.00
Berne	21.60 1/4
Prague	142.25

LONDON SEEDS

London, Dec 22

Linseed La Plat Hull c.i.f. ton	
December sellers	£12-12-6
Linseed Calcutta London c.i.f. ton	
December sellers	£15-1-3
Linseed Bombay London c.i.f. ton	
December sellers	£15-3-9
Rapeseed Toria Hull/Cont c.i.f. ton	
Dec Jan sellers	£14-5-0
Castorseed Bombay Hull c.i.f. ton	
December sellers	£14-2-6

LONDON RUBBER

London, Dec 22

Smoked sheets standard ribbed per lb
Sellers 7 3/8

NEW YORK COFFEE

New York, Dec 22

Fair Rio Coffee No. 7 quality ... 9 1/4

LONDON SILVER

London, Dec 22

Spot	18 11/16
Forward	18 1/2

LONDON GOLD

London, Dec 22

Gold Bars Fine per oz £6-19-8

LINSEED OIL

London, Dec 22

Linseed oil naked London per cwt	
January paid sellers	27/9
Linseed oil naked London per cwt	
January paid sellers	27/10 1/2

LONDON PRODUCE

London, Dec 22

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe parcels	
Jan Feb sellers	39/9
Wheat Barletta Russo parcels	
Jan Feb sellers	39/9
Wheat South Australian parcels	
January sellers	37/6

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVED

Bombay, Dec. 23.

B I S N s.s. Nalgora of 4101 reg tons Capt J Endersby arrived from Middlesbrough via Antwerp London Partsaid Suez and Aden with general cargo.

B I S N s.s. Bamora of 1870 reg tons Capt J L Durkee arrived from Basra via Persian Gulf Ports Karachi with passengers and general cargo.

B I S N s.s. Vita of 1955 reg tons Capt Harrison arrived from Karachi via Port Okha and Porebunder with passengers and general cargo.

SAILED

K Nixon s.s. City of Bombay of 4270 reg tons Capt O C Brown sailed for Liverpool Manchester and Glasgow via Karachi and Bedi Bunder with local an same bottom cargo.

Burmah Shell Oil S and D s.s. Badarpur of 4949 reg tons Capt H Lennox sailed for Rangoon with local cargo.

T Morrison s.s. Pundit of 3198 reg tons Capt E J Duncan sailed for Chittagong via Port Okha with local cargo

T Morrison s.s. Islami of 3617 reg tons Capt J Beattie sailed for Jeddah and Red Sea Ports with pilgrims and local cargo

J Finlay s.s. Clan Maciver of 2725 reg tons Capt P G De Gruchy sailed for Marmagoa Calicut Cochin and Alleppey with local and same bottom cargo.

B I S N s.s. Naringa of 4118 reg tons Capt C E Parkes sailed for Calcutta via Calicut and Cochin with local cargo

Vol Bros s.s. Wales Maru of 4038 reg tons Capt H Ito sailed for New York via Karachi and Portsaid with local and same bottom cargo.

LOADING

The following vessels booked for loading on 23-12-37.

S S Jalamohan (Sc S N) for Tuticorin Colombo and Rangoon
S S British Trader (Ang I Oil) for Abadan
S S Mirzapore (MM) for China Japan Port via Colombo and Penang.

STEAMERS IN DOCKS

Alexandra Dock

Bombay, Dec. 23.

3 Britannia 5281 Liverpool 7-1-38 Anchor Line
4 Ozarda 3038 NF NF MM
5 Clan Maciver 2725 Marmagoa 23-12 J Finlay
6 Urbino 3212 Liverpool 24-12 J Finlay
7 Nalgora 4101 NF NF MM
9 Goalpara 3216 Sydney 25-12 MM
10 Darttord 2421 Antwerp 24-12 J Finlay
11 Kunishima Maru 2440 Japan 24-12 N Y K
15 Wales Maru 4038 New York 23-12 Volkart Bros.
16 Kandelfels 4783 Hamburg 28-12 L Edwards

Victoria Dock

7 Barjora 1908 NF NF MM

Prince's Dock

A Garmula 3234 Karachi 24-12 M M
B El Madina 1629 Jeddah 3-1 Scindia S N
D/E Rahmani 3291 Jeddah 27-12 T Morrison
F Islami 3617 Jeddah 23-12 T Morrison
H Netravati 699 N F, N F, B S N
K Alavi 2161 Jeddah 30-12 T Morrison
L Jalamohan 3148 NF, NF, Scindia S N
Scindia S N
N/O Varsova 1955 Busra 23-12 M M

Steamers Expected

FROM LONDON

Strathnaver 30-12-37 P and O S N
Stratheden 13-1-38 P and O
Carthage 6-1-38 P and O S N
Chitral 24-12-37 J and O S N

FROM LIVERPOOL

Clan Ronald 26-12-37 James Finlay

FROM SYDNEY

Narkunda 1-1-38 P and O S N

FROM GENOA

Conte Biancamano 30-12-37 L Triestino
Laconia 28-12-37 L Triestino

FROM OSLO

Formosa 27-12-37 L Edwards

FROM CHINA AND JAPAN

Anyo Maru 30-12-37 N Y K
Rajputana 24-12-37 P and O S N
Ranpura 7-1-38 P and O S N
Borneo Maru 8-1-38 O S Kaisha
Conte Verde 12-1-38 L Triestino
Victoria 30-12-37 L Triestino

FROM HAMBURG

Ehrenfels 2-1-38 L Edwards
Kybfels 28-12-37 L Edwards

FROM NEW YORK

Pres. Van Buren 20-1-38 F F Campbell
Pres. Pierce 6-1-38 F F Campbell
C/o Cardiff 28-12-37 F F Campbell

FROM BASRA

Barala 30-12-37 M M
Varela 25-12-37 M M

FROM TRIESTE

Conte Rosso 18-1-38 L Triestino

FROM DURBAN

Takliwa 22-1-38 M M
Karanja 8-1-38 M M

FROM BASSEIN

Jalavihar 25-12-37 Scindia S N

FROM RANGOON

Gharinda 26-12-37 M M

FROM MOULMEIN

Tanfield 26-12-37 M M

FROM KARACHI

Vita 30-12-37 M M
Mirzapore 26-12-37 M M
Tokiwa Maru 27-12-37 N Y Kaisha
Wolfburg 30-12-37 L Edwards

FROM CALCUTTA

Bandra 26-12-37 M M
Jalaveera 30-12-37 Scindia S N

FROM ABADAN

British Duchess 30-12-37 Anglo Iranean Oil

FROM BATAVIA

Cranfield 30-12-37 M M

Sailing Dates

FOR LONDON

Strathaird 15-1-38 P and O
Rajputana 25-12-37 P and O
Dalgoma 20-12-37 M M
Ranpura 7-1-38 P and O
Narkunda 1-1-38 P and O S N

FOR SYDNEY

Goalpara 25-12-37 M M
Strathnaver 30-12-37 P and O

FOR LIVERPOOL

Britannia 7-1-38 Anchor Line

FOR NEW YORK

Pres. Van Buren 21-1-38 F F Campbell
Pres. Van Buren 21-1-38 F F Campbell

FOR HAMBURG

Kandelfels 25-12-37 L Edwards

FOR TRIESTE

Conte Verde, 12-1-38, L. T.

FOR CHINA AND JAPAN

Comorin 20-1-38 P and O
Carthage 6-1-38 P and O
Conte Rosso 18-1-38 L Triestino
Conte Biancomano 30-12-37 L Triestino

FOR GENOA

Victoria 30-12-37 L Triestino

FOR JEDDAH

Alavi 30-12-37 T Morrison
Rahmani 27-12-37 T Morrison
El Madina 3-1-38 Scindia S N

FOR BASRA

Varela 30-12-37 M M
Bamora 29-12-37 M M

FOR DURBAN

Karanja 19-1-38 M M
Tairea, 5-1-38, M. M.

FOR KARACHI

Vita 1-1-38 M M

B P T GENERAL LANDING DATES

S S Goalpara 22-12-37
S S Garmula 23-12-37

EXPORTS.

Bombay, Dec. 23.

S S Pres Polk for Genoa: 230 bales cotton raw H Nensey.

For Boston: 21 bales goat skins D Abraham.

For New York: 140 bags gum D Mavji; 20 bags zedoary roots A Virji; 28 bales printed cotton goods Thos Cook; 62 bags kamala powder D Abraham; 16 bales kidskins D Abraham.

For Marseilles: 3900 bags g nut kernel M Kaniyalal; 4133 bags g nut seed M Bhuta; 1710 bags g nut in shell S M Rajgor; 1318 bags g nut seeds Cotton Agents.

For Istanbul: 25 bales cotton grey yarn M A Al Abdul Razzak; 156 bales cotton grey yarn A Virji.

For Alexandria: 35 bales cotton grey sheeting M A Al Abdul Razzak; 68 bales cotton piece goods R Shantilal; 35 bags dry ginger; 35 dms castor oil Swastik Oil Mills.

S S Rajputana for Istanbul: 55 bales grey cotton yarn R Shantilal.

For Alexandretta: 42 bales cotton g m yarn A H Diab.

For London: 8 bdle woollen carpet M Mackenzie; 27 bales goat skins D Abraham; 1232 bags g nut kernel S M Rajgor; 349 bags kardi seed S M Rajgor; 28 bags gum Josh Bros; 100 cases sandalwood oil Thos Cook; 6 bales sheep skins tanned M R Shaffi.

For Tripoli: 20 bales cotton g m yarn A H Diab.

For Marseilles: 1300 bags g nut kernel M Kaniyalal; 2573 bags g nut kernel H Manilal; 172 bags mustardseed S M Rajgor; 667 bags g nut kernel M Bhuta.

S S Urbino for Liverpool: 1232 bags myrabollam H Bhagwandas; 1333 bags g nut oil cake M Bhuta.

For Manchester: 25 bales cotton fly Sapt Textile Products.

S S Kandelfels for Hamburg: 44 bales cotton raw Patel Cotton; 55 bales cotton raw A Podar; 200 bags gum V Padamsi; 66 bags gum S Khetsey 1500 bags g nut oil cake F H Kassam; 4000 pkts g nut oil cake A Oomerbhoy; 55 bales cotton twist waste L O Vora; 24 cases dry cattle guts Ad Meyer; 161 bales cotton fly L O Vora.

For Thessaloniki: 56 bales cotton raw Ralli Bros.

For Antwerp: 125 bales cotton raw Ralli Bros; 4000 pkts g nut oil cake A Oomerbhoy; 1900 bags crushed bones A Burjor.

For Rotterdam: 45 cases cashew kernel A P Gupta; 2154 bags g nuts S M Rajgor; 100 bales cotton twist waste B Karsondas; 25 bales cotton waste clean C Jairam.

For Lisbon: 23 cases dried intestines D Abraham.

For Barbodas: 100 bags g nut in shell S M Rajgor.

For Trinidad: 500 bags g nut kernel S M Rajgor.

For Aarhus: 22591 bags g nnut oil cake Ralli Bros.

For Suez: 100 bales cotton grey piece goods A Virji.

S S Kunishima Maru for Kobe: 400 bales cotton raw A Podar; 2000 bales cotton raw M Amersey.

S S Britannia for Glasgow: 1360 bags g nut oil cake P M Kataria; 156 dms g nut oil Swastik Oil Mills.

For Halifax: 300 bags g nut kernel The East Asiatic.

For Liverpool: 1350 bags g nut oil S S Chitral for Hongkong: 20 bales cotton grey yarn Pavri Sons.

S S Goalpara for Wellington: 42 bales cotton twist waste M Chandulal.

IMPORTS.

Bombay, Dec. 23.

S S Conte Verde Agents L Triestino from Trieste: 458 cases shoes; 33 cases leonianware; 513 cases lattries rings; 32 cases machinery; 550 cases fegs; 135 bags almonds.

From Venice: 28 cases art silk yarn; 33 cases shaddy and cotton piece goods; 93 cases emod cotton goods.

From Naples: 350 cases tin plates.

From Portsaid: 32 pkgs electric calculators.

S S Pan it Agents T Morrison from Calcutta: 4051 tons coal; 175 bales hessian cloth; 50 bales b twills; 50 bales jute canvas; 70 bales d w flour; 102 bdls m s rounds; 201 bags dall; 60 pkgs turniture and personal effects; 40 cases buscuits.

From Madras: 180 bags sandlewood billets; 42 cases elect cable; 87 boras cotton waste; 50 bales raw cotton; 35 cases motor tyres and tubes.

From Tuticorin: 106 bales cotton yarn.

From Calicut: 157 chests tea; 74 jottas coir rope.

S S Moncaleri Agents L Triestino from Catanio: 175 bags almonds

From leghorn: 275 boxes tin plates; 80 bales woollen and cotton rugs; 10964 pcs marble slabs; 64 bales rugs; 2305 pcs marbles.

From Genoa: 75 cases vermouth; 95 cases umbrella ribs; 75 cases camphor; 127 cases aniline dyes.

From Naples: 300 cases tin places.

From Marseilles: 221 cts tiles.

From Portsaid: 200 cases figs; 560 bags film asbestos; 200 bales cotton.

S S Clan Maciver Agents Finlay from Glasgow: 50 bags fire clay; 35 dms lubg oil; 125 lse c i casterns; 732 cases sewing machine and parts; 306 bdls tyres and tubes; 135 cases beer; 526 lse single tyres; 3250 lse fire bricks; 49 bdls retaining rings; 435 cases whisky.

Absence Of Bombay Buying Tells On American Cotton

Hedge Selling And Pre-Holiday Liquidation

SHORT COVERING AND TRADE PRICE-FIXING

Heavy Tenders For January

BOMBAY, December 23.

ABSENCE OF BOMBAY BUYING WHICH WAS RECENTLY THE SOURCE OF STRENGTH WAS A DEPRESSING INFLUENCE ON NEW YORK COTTON EXCHANGE ON THURSDAY WHERE THERE WAS A NOTICEABLE TENDENCY TO TRANSFER FROM NEAR MONTHS TO DISTANT ONES.

The New York cotton market opened on Wednesday barely steady and was inactive and declined on lower Liverpool cables, some increase in hedge selling and long liquidation. Prices later rallied partially on trade price fixing and Commission house buying but nut renewed pre-holiday liquidation and hedging. New business was small and longs were inclined to sell on advance resulting in a steady decline of open interest. Finally covering and spot house buying appeared with the session closing steadv.

At the opening March was quoted 8 points down at 8.33 and under increased selling prices declined to 8.31 which was the lowest level for the day. Later on prices advanced to 8.39 which was the highest level and the market closed at a net decline of 3 to 6 points. Snot cotton prices lost 3 points at 8.84c per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET.

The New Orleans cotton futures market was quiet and closed at a decline of 3 to 5 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 7 points at 8.59c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a decline of 4 points with January 4.74. There was Bombay selling and profit taking while traders were hesitant to support fearing that a further advance will attract hedge pressure owing to the proximity of prices to the loan level. There was scattered selling and liquidation. Demand was small and the market closed at a decline of 6 to 7 points. Middling American Spot cotton prices closed 5 points down at 4.86d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON.

Egyptian cotton ring was quiet. Giza futures declined 4 to 5 points and Uppers closed 4 to 7 points lower.

There was increased selling on the Alexandria market and Sakels futures declined 7 to 15 points. Ashmouni futures closed 12 to 21 points down.

FREE COTTON.

"That the trend is upwards towards the loan level has had further confirmation in the firmness of American markets this week, state Messrs. Langley and Co.

Bombay buying has again been a prominent feature. Wall Street is less despondent. And American mill curtailment seems to have put a little life into the dry goods trade. Cloth sales last week were well over production.

Generally it can be said that there is a better feeling.

How long will it last?

Annually there is the hope that the New Year will hold a greater prosperity than the old. In so far as 1938 begins with most markets at a low price level the chances are that the price swing will be upwards rather than downwards. And in cotton, within certain well defined limits, the outlook tends to confirm that probability.

LOAN POLICY.

Whether the loan policy will in the long run prove to be constructive or destructive the fact remains that today it is removing a lot of cotton from the market. It costs 20 points to put cotton in the loan and 8 points per month to carry it. Therefore cotton going into the loan to-day and being held until May has a redeemable price of 9.20 plus 4 months carrying making 9.52 the price to which the May contract must advance (subject of course to adjustment for spot basis) before the cotton can part company with the loan. That would seem to indicate that unless there is an advance of something just under one cent in the futures market between now and next May loan stocks can be ruled out of reckoning. But on a cent advance it is equally certain that those loan stocks would reappear.

One cent therefore looks the maximum advance possible.

But the problem does not end there. There is still a considerable amount of free cotton. The nearer the futures market gets to the loan price, which in terms of cotton which has not yet gone into the loan is 9 cents, only 50 points over to-day's level, the more that free cotton will avoid the complications of the loan and go, instead, direct on to the market. So that on advances from to-day's level the market looks like running into increased hedge selling.

Finally there is the long interest which has now reached impressive dimensions. That long interest will in all probability, liquidate before the loan level is reached and might unload in a hurry should any factor arise to disturb its confidence.

There is still, in our opinion, a moderate profit on the constructive side in Americans but, for the immediate future, we would recommend purchases only on recessions.

FIRM MARKET.

In Bombay the market has been extremely firm. Extensive speculative short covering have carried prices upwards with hardly a sign of a reaction. The technical position has suffered but so long as enthusiasm lasts the weakened technical position is of very little account. Broach might be taken up to 188. But once liquidation begins the reaction will in all probability be drastic. Just as Bombay initiated the up turn so will Bombay at some point begin a reaction.

PARITY CHANGES.

Meanwhile, in spite of the unsoundness of the outlook, the recent strength in our market has been to some extent justified. The Broach—New York straddle is to-day Rs. 15 compared with the wide point of Rs. 82 on the 1st April. Yet the Bombay spot market is an exceedingly difficult place in which to buy cotton. The basis for 4 F and long staple American seed is very firm and over the last few days a slightly better demand for Oomras has helped the basis even for that style.

Oomra arrivals into Bombay up to the 20th December were only 35,858 bales. To the 19th December last year they were 319,403 bales, 159,417 in 1935 and 93,859 in 1934. Last year is not a fair comparison as the crop was then early whereas this year it is a month late.

Oomra arrivals are, however, increasing and for the first time this season Amraoti had 1,000 bales two day ago.

Gradually the Indian crop must come on to the market. And export commitments to offset it are a record low.

It will take time for the contracts here to come into closer contact with the cotton reality. Not until Broach styles are moving towards the end of February is the position likely to adjust."

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York March highest (3 p.m.)	8.39—02
New York March lowest (10-18 a.m.)	8.31—10
Liverpool January highest	4.75—03
Liverpool January lowest	4.70—07

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

Liverpool: Tone inclined reactionary on pre-holiday liquidation and straddle selling by prominent American spot houses. Bombay support absent. Heavy January tenders expected.

New York: Market quietly firm.

Messrs. Bishwambharlal Maheshwari have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

Liverpool:—

Wheat: Australian pressure increasing

Rubber: Good purchase long pull.

Copper: Consumers running on minimum stocks.

Tin: Improvement American consumption needed raise prices.

Lead: Spelter: Would buy on good setbacks.

New York:—

Market declining under speculative liquidation consider market overbought.

Wheat: Better export demand continues but offers more plentiful.

Messrs. Devkaran Nanjee have received the following cables:—

Liverpool: 'Think advance discounts present situation. Profit-taking probably advisable but believe ultimately higher rate and would buy on recessions.'

New York: 'To-day's buying mostly for trade shorts. Good undertone notwithstanding Congress adjourned delaying agricultural legislation.'

'Recent bulge inducing some longs profit-taking small volume.'

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Dec 22

January	8.26—03
March	8.38—03
May	8.46—03
July	8.50—04
October	8.58—06
December	8.61—06
Middling Spot	8.48—03

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, Dec 22

January	8.35—05
March	8.49—03
May	8.51—05
Middling Spot	8.59+07

NEW YORK

New York, Dec 22

11-00 A.M. RANGES—	
January	8.24/8.24
March	8.36/8.36
May	8.44/8.44
NOON CALL—	
March	8.36
May	8.44

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, Dec 22

Day's receipts at all U S Ports	16,000 bales
Day's exports to Great Britain	17,000 bales
Day's exports to the Continent	8,000 bales
Day's exports to China and Japan	6,000 bales

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, Dec 22

December	4.70—07
January	4.71—07
February	4.73—07
March	4.76—07
April	4.79—06
May	4.82—06
June	4.83—07
July	4.85—07
August	4.87—07
September	4.89—07
October	4.91—07
November	4.92—07
Middling Spot	4.86—05
	10-12 a.m. quotations
January	4.74
March	4.79

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool, Dec 22

F G F Spot	8.10
GIZA—	
Spot	7.27—7
January 1938	6.76—5
March	6.71—4
May	6.73—5
July	6.75—5
October	6.82—5
November	6.78—5
UPPERS—	
Spot	6.23—3
January 1938	5.87—5
March	5.84—5
May	5.88—4
July	5.92—4
October	5.96—7
November	5.96—7

INDIAN COTTON

Liverpool, Dec 22

BROACH—	
Fully good (good staple)	3.95
Fine (good staple)	4.10
Superfine (good staple)	4.25
OOMRA—	
Fine (No. 1 staple)	4.10
Superfine (No. 1 staple)	4.25
Choice (No. 1 staple)	4.40
BENGAL—	
Good	3.59
Fully Good	3.69
Fine	3.84

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Dec 23

Following a small decline of 3 points in New York cotton futures, the local market opened to-day at Rs. 172 for Broach A/M delivery and declined to Rs. 171/8 on scattered liquidation as a resul. of change in the climate. Later on there was scattered covering and prices improved to Rs. 171/12 The tone of the market was quiet but in view of holidays there was little fresh business.

Liverpool market was due to open at a rise of one point but it opened 2 points up. The local market was fairly steady with Broach A/M delivery quoted at Rs. 171/8. The market closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

Broach A/M	170 12 0
Broach J/A	173 12 0
Oomra D/J	153 12 0
Oomra March	153 0 0
Oomra May	154 4 0
Bengal D/J	132 0 0
Bengal March	132 4 0

HOLIDAYS IN COTTON MARKETS

Local market will remain entirely closed on 25th December and 1st January, 1938.

New York market will be closed from 1 p.m. on 24th December until 10 a.m. on 27th and from 1 p.m. on 31st until 10 a.m. on 3rd January 1938.

Liverpool market will be closed from 12-30 p.m. on 24th December until 11 a.m. on 28th December.

Cotton Room Rates

Bombay, Dec. 23.

M. G.—	Extra Spr-fine	Sup	Fine	F.G.	Good
Bengal U. P.	...	142	140	138	136
Punjab	...	142	140	138	136
Oomra No. 3	163	161	159	157	...
C. P. No. 1	175	173	171	169	...
C. P. No. 2	168	166	164	162	...

Indian Cotton Figures

Bombay, Dec. 23. Since 1st Sept.

In full-pressed Bales.

	Yesterday	This year.
Khandesh	...	926
Central India	13	363
Barsi and Nagar	623	8,255
Hyderabad-Gaorani	51	1,645
Berar	3,226	25,373
Central Provinces	371	4,743
Total Oomras	4,284	41,305
Dholera	175	3,997
N.-W. Provinces	...	1,454
Rajputana	...	95
Sind-Punjab	1,825	127,879
Broach	...	1,406
Coompta and Dharwar	209	7,869
Westerns-Northerns	50	861
Cocanada	...	12
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	...	811
American	15,365	36,707
Egyptian, African and Sudan	4,854	122,163
Comilla, Burma and other sorts	...	570
Total	26,762	345,129

Ready Cotton Quotations

Bombay, Dec. 23.

Bengal Superfine New 142/44
Bengal Fine New 137/39
C. P. 1 New 171/72
C. P. 2 New 165/66
Arvi New 168/69
Berar New 160/61; Old 120/25
Khandesh New 145/49; Old 120/25
Jalna/Sailu New 149/50; Old 120/25
Burwah Sanavad Old 120/25
Mathia New 143/45; Old 85/105
Broach Old 159/66
Punjab 4 F. New 188/90; +14/16
Punjab 289F. New 244/47; +70/72
Sindh 4F. New 187/90; +15/17
Sindh N.T. New 224/26; +50/52
Kampala Old 307/312; Mar/Apl +129
Manza New 280/82

Osaka Cotton

Osaka, Dec 23

February	56.00
March	51.20

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, Dec 23

Yesterday London gold prices declined one penny to £6-19-8. London Paris Exchange rate was 3 points up at 147.16. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.93 13/16. London silver Spot prices declined 3/16d to 18 11/16d. and forward lost 1/16d. to 18 1/2d. The market was poorly supported. India bought and sold. Speculators bought. New York silver was unchanged at 44 3/4 cents and Montreal was quiet at a decline of 5 points. Shanghai T T on London was 1-2 1/4. The local market was fairly steady with a moderate business and prices fluctuated within a narrow range

GOLD	
Ready	34 7 0
Posh	34 7 3
Maha	34 7 3
SILVER	
Ready	48 1 0
Posh	48 1 0
Maha	48 2 0

Monstreal Silver

Montreal, Dec 22

December	41.70
March	42.25—05
May	42.05—05

LONDON METALS

London, Dec 22

Copper	£40 12 6
Lead	£15 17 6
Spelter	£15 8 9
Tin	£188 17 6

Bombay Metals

Bombay, Dec. 23.

Standard copper cash (buyers)	£40/7/6
Standard copper 3 months	£40/12/6
Electrolytic copper	£45/10/0
Bombay Market.—	
Yellow Metal Sheets	Rs. 39/8
Copper sheets	Rs. 43/8
Tone:—Steady.	

LINSEED & WHEAT

Bombay, Dec 23

Yesterday all foreign markets were easy on increased Australian offers and favourable Argentine crop reports where the yield is expected to be above Government estimate. Linseed was easy on poo demand from the Continent. The local market was quiet to-day with a moderate turnover. Fluctuations were narrow and quotations were as under:—

Linseed May	7 13 6
Wheat January	5 2 9
Wheat May	4 14 6

Groundnuts Coromandel Shelled

London, Dec. 22.

January	£11-17-6.

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, Dec. 23.

Groundnuts Feb.—	
Opening	31 5 0
Highest	31 7 3
Lowest	31 3 6
Closing	31 5 3
Castorseeds May—	
Opening	36 2 0
Highest	36 4 0
Lowest	35 15 0
Closing	36 1 0
Cottonseed Jan—	
Opening	20 3 0
Highest	20 5 6
Lowest	20 1 6
Closing	20 2 9
Cottonseed May—	
Opening	20 14 0
Highest	20 14 0
Lowest	20 10 9
Closing	20 12 9

Liverpool Wheat

Liverpool, Dec. 22.

December	90 1/4d.
March	87 3/4d.
May	88 5/8d.
July	89d.

Chicago Wheat

Chicago, Dec. 22.

December	dol 0.94 3/4.
May	dol 0.91 1/4
July	0.85 1/2

Cotton Arrivals

	Bales
Receipts into Bombay on 21st December	9,555
Receipts into Bombay to date since 1-9-1937	318,357
Receipts into Bombay same time last season	545,932
Decrease	227,565

Alexandria Cotton

Alexandria, Dec 22

SAKELS—	
January	14.31—13
May	14.06—07
ASHMOUNI—	
February	10.12—12
April	10.13—13
June	10.18—14
GIZA—	
January	12.28—11
May	12.37—17

Cotton Straddles

APPROXIMATE DIFFERENCES

New Yor Liverpool: January 157 March 155 May 159 July 161 October 165 at cross rate 4.99 13/16

Bombay Liverpool: Broach A/M 1938 171 Liverpool May 1938 4.83 Rs. 37 1/4 at exchange 1/6

Bombay Liverpool: Broach J/A 1938 175/12 Liverpool July 4.86 Rs. 36 at exchange 1/6

Bombay New York: Broach A/M 1938 173 New Yor May 8.46 Rs. 15 1/4 at cross rate 4.99 13/16

Bombay New York: Broach J/A 1938 175/12 New York July 8.50 Rs. 13 1/4 at cross rate 4.99 13/16

GOVT. SECURITIES

Bombay, Dec 23

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52	100/4
3 per cent 1951/54	102/8
4 per cent 1947	103/8
5 per cent U P Bonds 9/	
3 1/2 per cent G P N Cash	98
3 1/2 per cent 1947/59 Loan	106/4
4 per cent 1948 Bonds	108/4
4 per cent 1960/70	113/12
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60	119/8
5 per cent 1939/44	105
6 per cent 1940/43	108
5 per cent 1938/40 Loan	102/9
TAX FREES.	
per cent 1955/65	112/4
per cent 1955	123
5 per cent 1945/55	120/8
3 1/2 per cent 1939 Mysore	103
CORPORATION DEBENTURES	
per cent B P I 1974	110
per cent N Deb 1974	109
per cent M Deb 1949	118/8
per cent 1954	131/8
per cent K P T 1956	131/8

Note:—3 1/2 per cent paper opened today at Rs 98/6 and declined to Rs. 97/15 and closed at Rs. 98

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, Dec 23

B. C. RATES—	
T. T. D. D	1/6 1/16
LONDON—	
Bank's selling T T D D	1/6 3/32
Bank. buying T T	1/6 5/32
Banks buying D D	1/6 3/16
Bank's buying 3 months	1/6 7/32
NEW YORK—	
Bank's selling T T	266
Bank's buying T T	264
PARIS—	
Bank's selling T T	1,102
Bank's buying T T	1,122
JAPAN—	
Bank selling T T	77 1/2
Banks buying T T	77
AMSTERDAM—	
Bank's selling D D	67 3/8
JAVA—	
Bank's selling D D	67 1/8
HONGKONG—	
Bank's selling D D	83 1/2
SHANGHAI—	
Bank's selling D D	79 1/2
SINGAPORE—	
Bank's selling D D	156 1/4
BERLIN—	
Bank's selling D D	92 1/4
CROSS RATE—	
New York London	4.99.87 22nd instant
Japan London	1/2 23rd instant
Hongkong London	1/3 1/16 23rd instant
Shanghai London	1/2 1/4 23rd instant
Java London	8.96 5/8 23rd instant
London Paris	147.16 22nd instant
London Belgium	29.43 1/2 22nd instant
London Switzerland	21.60 1/4 22nd instant
London Berlin	12.40 1/2 22nd instant
London Stockholm	19.40 22nd instant
London New York	4.99.82 22nd instant
London Amsterdam	8.98 7/8 22nd instant
London Italy	95.00 22nd instant
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—	Steady
Gold	£6-19-9 21st instant
Gold	£6-19-8 22nd instant
Silver London Ready	18 7/8 21st instant
Silver London Ready	18 11/16 22nd instant
Silver London Forward	18 9/16 21st instant
Silver London Forward	18 1/2 22nd instant
Silver New York Ready	45 21st instant
Silver New York Ready	45 22nd instant
London discounts 3 months	3/4 per cent 21st instant
London discounts 3 months	11/16 per cent 22nd instant
London discounts 6 months	11/16 per cent 21st instant
London discounts 6 months	11/16 per cent 22nd instant
Reserve Bank Rate	3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate	2 per cent
Money:—	
Call	1/4 per cent.
3 months	3/4 per cent.
6 months	1 per cent.
Tone:—	Easy

Indian Sterling Loans

London, Dec 22

Call Loan London	1/2
3 per cent	79 1/2
3 1/2 per cent	93 1/4
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59	103 1/4
4 per cent 1948/53	107 1/4
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	112
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68	115
5 per cent 1942/47	110
3 per cent 1949/52	99
2 1/2 per cent British Consols	74 3/8
3 1/2 per cent War loan	101 5/8
4 per cent Funding loan 1960/90	112 3/8
Indian Iron and Steel New Ordinary	52/6

American Cotton Figures

F.P. Bales	1937-38	1936-37
Receipts to date 22-12-37	5560000	5041000
Receipts Yesterday 22-12-37	16000	16000
Exports to date 22-12-37	3158000	2853000
Stock at Ports 17-12-37	3284000	2893000
Stock at Interior Towns 17-12-37	2638000	2290000
Stock at Liverpool 17-12-37	982000	834000
Visible Supply 17-12-37	7654000	6720000
Quantity in sight 17-12-37	9814000	9295000
Quantity out of sight 17-12-37	5041000	5827000

Exports From Bombay

1st Sept. to 16th Dec.

In full-pressed Bales.	Yesterday	This year.
Europe	2,006	52,708
Japan and China	1,007	67,300
Coast Ports	..	22,104
Up-country by Rail	..	110,776
Afloat in harbour for Europe China & Japan	...	2,266
Total	3,706	255,154

Osaka Sampin

Osaka, Dec 23

February	230.50
April	233.30—10
June	238.50—30

The Sampin Exchange will remain closed on the 24th and 25th instant

Pre-Holiday Covering On Exchange

ABSENCE OF NEW BUSINESS

Prices Fluctuate Within Narrow Range

BOMBAY, December 23.

Following a decline of dollars 1 5/8 in U. S. Steel and 1 3/8 in Anaconda Copper on the Wall-Street Market, the local Share Bazar opened easy to-day and under pre-Holiday short covering the market ruled steady and the opening decline was recovered.

There was a marked absence of any fresh business and the market remained steady with a limited business and prices fluctuated within a narrow range.

During the recent panicky state there had been extensive long liquidation and there was fairly short interest which is now being covered up. Outside business was small.

Unfavourable developments in the International political situation are restraining selling pressure and in view of Holidays there was a less inclination to do any fresh business.

To-day was the final session of the current year and as a result of year's trading below we give net changes in active shares.

	Closing 1936	Closing 1937	Diff.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Bombay Dyeing	810	950	+140
Century	168	233	+ 65
Central India	253	261	+ 8
Kohinoor	256	348	+ 92
New Great	173	275	+102
Simplex	79	93	+ 14
Swadeshi	200	250	+ 50
Imperial Bank F. P.	1587	1582	— 5
Central Bank	35	29	— 6
Reserve Bank	141	125	— 16
New India Ince.	47	42	— 5
Oriental Ince.	5450	4425	—1025
Ahd. Elec.	169	142	— 27
Andhra	1730	1507	—233
Tram	153	120	— 33
Hydro	194	154	— 40
Tata Power	1646	1425	—221
Shivrajpur	43	55	+ 12
Tata Steel Dfds.	950	1235	+285
Tata Steel Ord.	247	275	+ 28
Tata Steel Second Pref.	177	165	— 12
Alcock	268	345	+ 77
Bellapur	186	170	— 16
Bombay Steam	288	255	— 33
Bombay Burma	578	686	+108
3 1/2 P. C. Govt. Paper	100/9	98	— 2/9

BOMBAY, Dec. 23.

100	Ahm. Advance (Rs. 6)	367 8
250	BOM. DYEING (Rs. 25)	950 0
100	CENTURY	233 12
100	CEN. INDIA (Rs. 4)	261 4
100	COLABA (Rs. 2-8)	232 8
100	Coorla (Rs. 5)	110 0
250	David	75 0
250	Dawn (Rs. 10)	410 0
	I. E. D. Sassoon (nil)	0-6-3
100	Finlay (Rs. 2)	138 12
100	GOKAK (Rs. 4-8)	193 2
1000	Hindustan (Rs. 75)	1 720 0
100	Indore	66 4
100	Khatau (Rs. 3)	123 2
100	KOHINOOR (Rs. 10)	348 2
250	Laxmi (Rs. 12-8)	565 0
250	Madras United	35 0
1000	Morarji (nil)	1,255 0
250	Model	53 12
50	MYSORE (Rs. 2)	120 0
200	NEW GREAT (nil)	275 0
100	Osmanshahi (Re. 1)	42 8
100	Phoenix (nil)	253 12
25	SASSOON SILK (Rs. 2)	64 0
1000	Sholapur (Rs. 50)	1,950 0
50	SIMPLEX (Rs. 2)	93 12
100	SWADESHI (Rs. 5)	250 0
100	Swan	105 0
500	Vishnu (Rs. 50)	1,440 0
1000	Western (Rs 10;	915 0
	BANKS.	
50-100	Baroda (Rs. 2-8)	116 0
25-50	Central (Rs. 12)	29 10
500	Imperial (Rs. 30)	1,582 8
125-500	I. Conty. (Rs. 7-8)	385 0
50-100	India (Rs. 2-8)	144 0
100	Reserve Bank (Rs. 3-8)	125 4
5	Union (As. 4)	5 9
	CEMENTS.	
100	ASSOCIATED	143 8
	INSURANCE.	
100-500	Empire (Rs. 14)	900 0
15-100	Jupiter (As. 12)	14 14
20	Mercantile	54 8
15-75	New India (Rs 1-4)	42 0
200	Oriental (125)	4425 0
10-50	Vulcan (Rs. 8)	7 6
	ELECTRIC.	
100	Ahm. Old	142 8
1000	ANDHRA VALLEY (Rs. 40)	1507 8
10	Aimer (As. 4)	13 0
	AM	
50	BOM. TRAM. (Rs. 2-8)	120 0
100	B'bay Suburban (Rs 8)	165 0
10	Broach (As. 5)	14 0
100	Karachi (4)	230 0
100	Poona (4)	212 8
100	Surat (Rs 8)	195 0
100	TATA HYDRO (Rs. 5)	154 6
1000	TATA POWER (Rs. 37-8)	1425 0
	RAILWAYS.	
500	Ahmedabad Prantij	358 12
100	C. Province	98 4
100	Dh. Baramati	104 4
100	Gujarat	97 8
100	Mandra Bhon	97 0
100	Pachora Jamner	94 12
100	Sara Sirajgunj	102 0
500	Tapti Valley	762 8
	MININGS.	
9	Burma Corp. (As. 11)	8 0
2sh.	Indian Copper (As. 1-8)	2 11
10	Indian Iron and Steel (Re. 1)	34 0
10	SHIVRAJPUR (Rs. 2)	55 0
30	Tata Steel Dfd. Rs. 36-3-6)	1235 0
75	TATA STEEL ORD. Rs. 10)	275 0
	MISCELLANEOUS.	
100	ALCOCK (Rs. 5)	345 0
50	BELAPUR SUGAR (Rs. 6)	XD 170 10
200-250	B'bay Safe Dep. (Rs. 13-12)	855 0
250	Bombay Steam (Rs. 13-12)	255 0
125	B. BURMA (Rs. 12)	686 4
50	D. Conty. (Rs. 8)	233 12

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay, Dec 23

Bombay Dyeing (941/4) 932 941 949 947 946 950
Century (230) 226 230 228 233
Central India (258/12) 257 261
Kohinoor (345) 340 348
New Great (270) 267 272 275
Simplex (91/14) 90 92 93/12
Swadeshi (248/12) 246 247 250
Associated Cement (143) 142/8 143/12 143/8
Andhra (1502) 1502 1507
Tata Hydro (155) 155 154/6
Tata Power (1425) 1427 1425
Tram Ord (120/8) 120
T Steel Defd (1227/8) 1200 1212 1210 1222 1216 1230 1227 1235
T Steel Ord (274) 268 273 272 275
Tata Steel 2nd Pref (185) 165
Bellapur (168/12) 168 170/10
B Steam (256/4) 255
B Burma (678/2) 672 687 686

LONDON SUGAR

London, Dec 22

March	sh. 6 2d.

New York Sugar

New York, Dec. 22.

March	2.29+1.
May	2.30 unchgd.
July	2.31 unchgd.
September	2.32 unchgd.

Bombay Sugar

Bombay, Dec. 23.

Ready Javas Rs. 15-9.
Shipment January Rs. 5-14-6.
Shipment Feb.-Mar. Rs. 5-15.
Shipment April-June Rs. 6-0-6.
Kesar (new crop) Rs. 11-10.
Saraya (old crop) Rs. 11-3.
Java Spot F. 7.00.

Yarn Exchange Quotations

Bombay, Dec. 23.

Yarn No. 6 1/2s. Dec. Rs. 114; Feb. Rs. 112; April Rs. 111.
Yarn No. 10 1/2s. Dec. 130; Feb. Rs. 129; April Rs. 128.
Yarn No. 20 1/2s. Dec. 165; Feb. Rs. 163; April Rs. 162.
Yarn No. 40s. Dec. Rs. 245; Feb. Rs. 242; April Rs. 240.
Yarn No. 12/64 Dec. Rs. 380; Feb. Rs. 370; April Rs. 350.
Yarn No 150 Dec. Rs. 143; Feb. Rs. 146; April Rs. 149.

8sh.	Br. B. Petrol (nil)	4 6
50	TELEPHONE (Rs. 1-8)	99 8
100	1. BLEACHING (Rs. 3)	143 12
50	1 Invest Trust (Rs. 2)	49 8
100	1 Radio Defd (12)	527 8
100	1. Radio Ord. (15)	440 0
1000	Port Canning (Rs. 26)	670 0
30	PREMIER CON. (Rs. 2-15)	82 8
15	Scindia	22 14
25	Tata Oil Mill (nil)	29 12
	PREFERENCE.	
7	p.c Andhra Valley	1500 0
6	p.c Bombay Steam	287 8
7	p.c. B'bay Tram (T.F.)	76 4
5	p.c Central India (T.F.)	543 12
6-1/4	p.c Prem Const 1st	108 0
6 1/4	p.c Prem Const 2nd	103 0
7	p.c. Tata Hydro	152 8
7-1/2	p.c. Tata Power	1547 8
6	p.c. Tata Steel 1st	202 8
7½	p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	165 0
7	p.c. Vishnu	703 12
	DEBENTURES.	
3 3/4	p.c Andhra Valley	101 8
6	p.c. Andhra Valley	108 14
4	p.c. Bom Telephone	53 12
7	p.c. Sholapur	83 12
6	p.c. Tata Hydro	109 6

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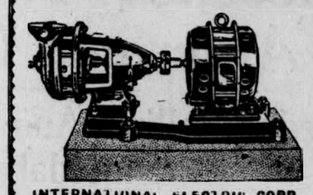

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BOMBAY: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1937

Pentangular Cricket

'THE REST' GO DOWN FIGHTING

Muslims And Europeans To Meet In Final

EXCITING FINISH ON THURSDAY

De Saram's Brilliant Innings: 122 Not Out

FINAL SCORES:—

Muslims (1st Innings)	*240*
"The Rest" (1st Innings)	*199*
Muslims (2nd Innings)	*225*
"The Rest" (2nd Innings)	*233*

Bombay cricket-fans saw a most exciting finish on Thursday afternoon in the match where "The Rest" fought valiantly to reach the final of the Pentangular Cricket Tournament and eliminate the Muslims, this year's favourites. They failed in a great fight by 31 runs. This puts the Muslims against the Europeans on Christmas Day and the three days that follow.

The figure on whom all eyes were centred on Thursday was F. C. De Saram, of Ceylon fame. This bat going in No. 5, made 122 and retired unbeaten at the close. His effort to reap laurels for his side was a great fight, and he wielded a straight bat throughout his innings. His play was never laborious and he displayed mastery over all strokes. His restraint was marvellous. A perfect fighting innings was, however, to some degree, marred by his tendency to rob runs that spelt disaster. De Saram's century overshadowed that of Faiz Ahmed's.

If S. S. Manaharam had been able to just keep his side up till 5-15 p.m., "The Rest" would have in all probability got the deficit, as De Saram was scoring very fast all round the wicket and had plenty of go still in him.

FEATURE OF GAME

The feature of the match, concluded on Thursday, was the ups and downs, that gave rise to tense excitement on all three days. On the opening day the Muslims started deplorably, retrieved a bad start and closed with 240. "The Rest" then started their venture almost as badly, a stand put them on par with their opponents. This position was once again destroyed by a "limp tail." The Muslims having an advantage of 41 points did well early in their second innings, and when stumps were drawn on Wednesday had a lead of 227 with six wickets in hand.

Amazing Collapse

Thursday morning saw the unexpected happen and in less than an hour the bowlers of "The Rest" had the Muslims all out for an addition of 39 runs. No cricket prophet, however, optimistic his outlook on things, would have forecasted such a fate. This turn of things gave the Muslims an advantage of 266, where at least 350 was not unreasonably anticipated. This lead was not a bad one but certainly did not hand the verdict to the Muslims. "The Rest" had a very sporting chance to get 267, as there was 273 minutes before them.

Bad Start

After a weak opening by J. Abreo a real fight for runs and victory followed. This fight fluctuated for and against "The Rest" right up to the end of things, and it had everyone on tip toes throughout the afternoon After the match the expression "Well done The Rest," was universal—it was deserved.

Heroes Of The Match

The Muslims are to be congratulated on overcoming very game opponents, the heroes of their triumph are: K. Saeed Ahmed, who scored 88 in their first venture and returned 5 bats for 76 in both innings. Amir Elahi stands next. He bowled on the top of his form and the match gave him 8 wickets for 128 runs Faiz Ahmed's brilliant century brings him into star company of the occasion. Abbas Khan and A. E. Baporia stand together for some valuable batting and really good fielding

The Muslim side that will oppose the Europeans is not yet known. Mushtaq Ali, is said to be coming to help his community in the finals However, doubts are raised as his name appears in the list of the side that Major Nayudu is to lead in the Festival Match being staged by the Hindu Gymkhana on the same dates as the Pentangular tournament final. Urgent wires to Mohmd Nissar, India's speed merchant have been sent out calling him to Bombay to participate in the match starting on Christmas day G. N Laljee will probably go out of the side if Mohamed Nissar accepts.

DETAILS OF GAME

Great things happened early on Thursday morning when the Muslims versus "The Rest" match entered on its third and last day of play, the Muslims losing three wickets in the first half hour.

Faiz Ahmed and G. N. Laljee, the overnight not outs came out to bat in nice clear weather They faced the attack of Richards and Manoharam. The pair at the wickets got going immediately and collected the 14 runs required to raise the second century in ten minutes. One more run and a spell of bad fortune now was the Muslims' lot.

Faiz Ahmed left at 201 with his splendid total of 107. His innings was dealt with in Wednesday's details of the match. So far Faiz Ahmed has alone been credited with a century in the current Pentangular Tournament. (201—5—107)

At the same total Laljee also left, Richards getting his fourth wicket of the innings. The dismissed man had given his side 14 runs, (201—6—14).

Richards was bowling at the top of his form this morning.

After the Muslim total had slowly been raised to 207 by K.

(Continued on Page 11, Col. 1).

Mr. H. H. Ismail, the new Trade Agent to the Government of India at Mombassa sailed from Bombay on Wednesday.

STUDENTS CALL OFF STRIKE

Sind College Trouble Ends

KARACHI, Dec. 23.

The Strike Committee of the D. J. Sind College announces the calling off of the strike as they find that the assurances given by the Principal regarding Talpur's attendance are satisfactory.

Talpur in future will not attend any college functions so as not to cause embarrassment to any girl student nor will he be allowed to be seen in the college premises at the time when Miss Sitlani is there.—A. P

Tagore's Appeal To Indians

Offer Moral And Spiritual Allegiance To China

SANTINIKETAN, Dec. 23.

"To-day in this insane world of ours human life has become a plaything. Monsters arise on all side and make ruthless sport of human lives

"One gets anxious for the destiny of mankind when one thinks of the inhuman tortures that Japan is inflicting on the helpless population of China. Even women and children are not spared", said Poet Rabindranath Tagore, in the course of an inspiring sermon delivered on the occasion of the anniversary of the Santiniketan Ashram

Continuing the Poet said, "Is there then no hope for the future of mankind? Is humanity doomed to inevitable ruin? We should not lose heart and keep our faith firm in the eternal forces that are everywhere at work in human society.

Those who are offered to-day as sacrifices to the altar of greed and empire-grabbing, those who resist with their lives the onslaught of robbers are real heroes of human history. They might suffer an apparent defeat to-day but they by their dauntless heroism and fearlessness help the progress of forces of peace which are sure to prevail ultimately".

Concluding the Poet said, "What can we, Indians, do, we, whose hearts go out in sympathy to the Chinese in their suffering, but are not in position to offer them any material help?

"By refusing to worship the demon of brutal force that rules the world to-day by offering moral and spiritual allegiance to the heroic fighters who suffer only a temporary defeat to-day and by refusing to acknowledge the supremacy of the monster of greed, we shall help the cause of peace to win final victory."—United Press.

Free Fight At Reception To Huq

Proja Party Member Beaten With Lathi

MYMENSINGH, December 23.

Rowdyism resulting in serious injuries to Mr. Abdul Wahed Bokainagari, a Tenants' Party member of the Bengal Assembly, marked the proceedings of a meeting organised last evening at Iswarganj, Mr. Bokainagari's own constituency, to present a welcome address to the Hon'ble Mr. Fazlul Huq, Bengal Premier and two other Ministers the Hon'ble Mr. N. R. Sarkar and the Hon'ble Mr. Suhrawardy.

It is reported that in the course of his reply to the address the Bengal Premier made some allegations against Mr. Bokainagari that the latter had betrayed Muslim cause, voted with the Congress and abused him (the Premier) at public meetings.

Mr. Bokainagari who was also at the meeting, rose in protest whereupon Mr. Fazlul Huq is reported to have said that Mr. Bokainagari should be turned out from the meeting. Immediately some one from the meeting jumped upon Mr. Bokainagari with a lathi and struck him on the head, causing serious injuries. Mr. Bokainagari was bleeding profusely.

THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE OF MYMENSINGH WHO WAS NEARBY, GAVE THE INJURED M. L. A. PROTECTION AND HELPED HIM OUT OF THE MEETING.

The people dispersed in tumult and followed Mr. Bokainagari who was soon attended upon by doctors.—United Press.

MILL STRIKE AT KALOL

Workers Protest Against Management's "No" To Formation Of Union

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 23.

About 2,000 operatives of Navajivan and Bharat Vijay Mills in Kalol went on strike this morning.

It appears that operatives of Navajivan mills wanted to establish a Separate Union but the Management protested against this. As a protest against this attitude of the Mill authorities, workers of both the Mills downed tools.

The strikers met this evening, leaders of Textile Labour Association and requested them to take up their cause.

Millowners' Breach Of Agreement Condemned

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, (By Mail).

The Ahmedabad Congress Socialist Committee in its general meeting held on 21st instant passed the following resolutions.

Whereas, certain millowners are daily committing a breach of agreement arrived at between the workers and millowners by not giving 1935 wage-rates and by victimising the workers and thus creating great discontent among them. this meeting notes with deep concern the situation and condemns the millowners for not keeping up the promise.

SIMLA EXODUS TO BE GIVEN UP

Move To Construct More Offices In Delhi

NEW DELHI, Dec. 23.

"United Press" inquiries indicate that a definite decision in regard to the future Simla exodus will be taken up early in January. It appears that the question was discussed informally among Secretaries of various departments of the Government of India recently but no agreed conclusions could be reached.

It is understood that all relevant data will be placed for consideration at the Viceroy's Executive Council early in January and the decision may then be announced. It is however, believed that certain attached offices may be asked to continue in Delhi in summer. It is probable that more and more offices attached to the Army Headquarters may be located in the old secretariat.

Plans are under consideration also to construct offices at open spaces left in the Imperial Secretariat sectors and when the Government of India moves down during next autumn they will find the existing congestion in regard to departmental offices moved.—United Press

TRADES DISPUTES AMENDT. BILL

Select Committee To Meet Soon

NEW DELHI, Dec. 23.

The delay in summoning the meeting of the Select Committee on Trades Disputes Amendment Bill is ascribed to the recent reorganization of Government Department.

Mr. Clow, Labour Secretary or his Deputy are not members of the Select Committee, while the former Labour Department Officers have been transferred to the new Department of Communications.

Accordingly a motion will be made earlier in the Session to nominate their substitutes in the Select Committee after which its meeting will be called.—United Press.

Standing Committee For Roads To Meet In January

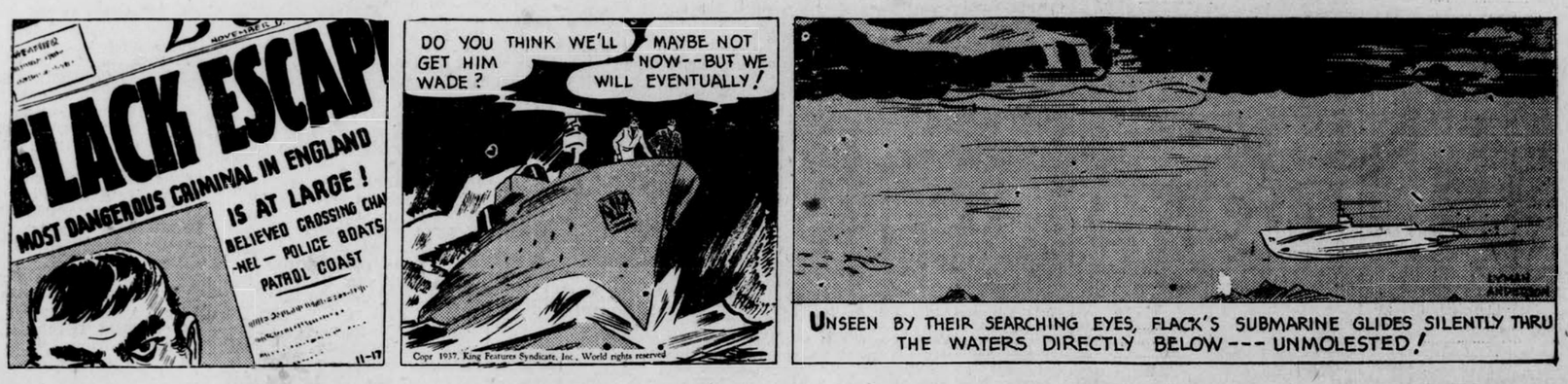
NEW DELHI, Dec. 23

"United Press" learns that a meeting of the Standing Committee for Roads will be called in the last week of January next, earlier to the commencement of the Assembly Session to consider Provincial Governments' plans for road construction and allotment of funds.—United Press.

COMBINED GROUP OF "REST" XI AND THE MUSLIM XI

Edgar Wallace's Detective Story Day By Day

INSPECTOR WADE — *"TERROR KEEP"*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